

# P802.3ah Draft 3.0 Comments

Cl 00 SC P L # 743  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D All

TM symbols are not required in headers after the first page.

## SuggestedRemedy

Update headers.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC P L # 795  
Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The entirely new concept to 802.3 of doing shared access via an entirely new access protocol is hidden through lack of use of the proper terminology to describe what is going on. The P2MP portion of the proposal is, in fact, a new shared access protocol of the TDMA variety yet none of the following standard terms appears appear anywhere in the description thereof:

- multiple access
- access method
- time division
- TDMA
- access domain
- MAC protocol

In fact the only mentions of a "shared LAN" is the claim that P2MP is emulating a shared LAN rather than admitting it is one!

## SuggestedRemedy

Come clean. P2MP is at its most basic level a master-slave TDMA LAN. Revise text to describe P2MP fully as such using established 802 terminology for multiple access shared LANs.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The current text does use established terminology and text to describe the protocol.

Cl 00 SC P L # 528  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Inappropriate uses of error rate.

## SuggestedRemedy

Search for error rate and replace with error ratio to be consistent with similar change implemented by IEEE Std 802.3aj-2003.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC P L # 522  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The draft uses network, provider and CO for describing one end of access links, and customer, user and subscriber for the other end. (All these noted when searching on "side", but there might be other terms also used.)

## SuggestedRemedy

Pick one for each end -- search and replace other terms.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Not sure why this is an issue. It is consistant with industry nomenclature.

Perhaps a note can be added to explain that the terms are interchangeable

Cl 00 SC P L # 521  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D All

Where there is asymetry, the terms "side" and "end" seem to be used interchangeably. For example, page 15 line 48 uses both in the same sentence, though copper and P2MP seem to favor "side" and P2P favor "end". The approved standards seem to mostly use "end" in conjunction with a link (also note consistency with near-end, etc.)

## SuggestedRemedy

Search for "side" and replace with "end" where referring to a link.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC P L # 759  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D All

I believe that there is a misuse of "point to point" and "point to multi-point" throughout the draft. The words are being used to describe the noun, and therefore should be hyphenated.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change "point to point" to be "point-to-point", and "point to multi-point" to be "point-to-multi-point".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will check the style and fix as appropriate for each instance

Cl 00	SC	P	L	# 301
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## Circadian Systems

Add requirement that transceivers and line cards must be capable of going into loopback mode so that what is received is retransmitted out of its paired transmitter.

This will make testing components and systems much easier - in the factory and in the field.

PROPOSED REJECT.

Not sure what the commenter would like. The document does not talk about line cards and systems.

Cl 00 SC P L # 343

Agilent

Are we sure we haven't messed up the legacy Ethernet?  
This rather vague comment is to replace an old TR which was triggered by counters(?) which fouled up regular Ethernet, and I've submitted it to encourage all readers to consider if the implications of the changes and additions in EFM could cause an unintended issue to existing Ethernets, including 10G Ethernet.

Check list:  
 Counters and registers still OK for legacy Ethernet?  
 Management stuff still OK?  
 100BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX10 not tied to any public-networks-specific requirements?  
 No damage to 10G?  
 No outlawing current MAC, RS, PCS, PMAs in subscriber access networks?  
 Other?

PROPOSED REJECT.

The commenter is encouraged to file a suggested remedy

Cl 00	SC	P	L	# 315
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Agilent

The optics track needs the help of the whole group to decide the question below.

The register space was nearly full, new registers would have to go somewhere else; a 5 V interface becomes increasingly un-compatible with modern CMOS; and a consistent approach would make it easier to build and manage equipment with both 'new' and 'old' port types.

We thought that to solve the second, a way of accessing clause 22 registers through a clause 45 interface had been addressed. But actually, Annex 22D, Clause 22 access to Clause 45 MMD registers goes the opposite way.

So, how to access a register space for managing 100M/1G PHYs through a modern interface?

Option 1: use Cl.22 protocols but at low voltage, using ST code to distinguish between Cl.22 or Cl.45 register sets. But is Cl.45 better for addressing multiple entities on the same bus? Also, station management software has to handle two schemes.

Need to change this sentence in 45.2 'For cases where a single entity combines Clause 45 MMDs with Clause 22 registers, then the Clause 22 registers may be accessed using the Clause 45 electrical interface and the Clause 22 management frame structure.' to something like 'For cases where a single entity contains Clause 22 registers, the Clause 22 registers may be accessed using the Clause 45 electrical interface and the Clause 22 management frame structure.' and change anything that stops this scheme working if there are no Clause 45 MMDs in the entity.

Option 2: put the whole CI.22 register space in one of the unused CI.45 device addresses. Quick and dirty, allows consistent MDIO frame format, capable of addressing multiple entities?, but condemns software to extra complexity going forward.

Option 3: use the clause 45 10G registers for their equivalent functions for 100M and 1G optical Ethernet. Leaves the legacy issues behind, provides consistent register set and MDIO frame format, and more than adequate register space. Needs more editorial effort to create the appropriate capability registers in Clause 45.

Option 4: put off doing anything more on this in the EFM project. Implementers can use dual buses or proprietary voltage schemes. Is this option 1 without the standardisation? Or is it unworkable?

Option other: ...

For info: EFM optics do not generally require any new registers; the exception is for FEC.

If the committee chooses options 1, 2 or 4, then subclauses 58.2, 59.2, 60.2 should be removed. If the committee chooses option 3, they should be kept, possibly with additional information added.

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As the commenter is not an expert in this area, assistance and guidance from logicians and editors would be very welcome.

## *SuggestedRemedy*

As the committee decides.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*   **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Assigned to the Optics STF

<i>Cl</i> <b>00</b>	<i>SC</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>#</i> <b>314</b>
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Dawe, Piers      Agilent

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*   **D**      *P2MP*

Is counting errors as fast as possible, silly? A count of e.g. PCS coding violations will be too skewed towards any bursts of errors, lightning strikes etc. and not represent the link's performance in terms of likelihood of dropped packets? Where should the count be throttled? Would "errored microseconds" be more use?

## *SuggestedRemedy*

I would guess that a throttle of data rate/1000 (or data rate/100 with FEC) would be suitable.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*   **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Assigned to the P2MP/FEC STF

<i>Cl</i> <b>00</b>	<i>SC</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>#</i> <b>500</b>
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Grow, Robert      Intel

*Comment Type*    **TR**      *Comment Status*   **D**

Full-duplex is not used correctly. A section that illustrates this well is 56.1 (bottom of page 158). P2MP does not use full duplex links -- it is a passive star.

EFM copper confuses the existing uses of full-duplex and half-duplex (see 1.1.1, 1.1.1.1, 1.1.1.2, 1.4.135, 1.4.139, 4.1.1, 4.1.2.1.1, etc.) In the published standards, full-duplex text generally is written with the assumption that CRS and COL do not need to be implemented in full duplex mode.

Similar terms are used interchangeably or linked. For example "full duplex" as shorthand for "full duplex mode", (802.3ah, page 24 line 13 and 17), full duplex link (802.3, 4.1.1) and full duplex operation being synonymous with full duplex mode(802.3, 4.1.1) and MAC full duplex mode linked with an underlying full duplex PMD link ).

The base

## *SuggestedRemedy*

Harmonize use of full duplex and half duplex with the published standard. I believe this requires a full search of the base documents to make sure text does not contradict functionality exploited by EFM.

Most of the conflicts with EFM copper uses will require base document changes.

I believe full duplex and half duplex should not be used in P2MP descriptions except for describing full duplex emulation or when specifically referencing a mode as described in the base document.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*   **O**

<i>Cl</i> <b>00</b>	<i>SC</i>	<i>P</i> <b>1</b>	<i>L</i> <b>9</b>	<i>#</i> <b>721</b>
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James, David      JGG

*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*   **D**      *All*

Excessive capitalization

## *SuggestedRemedy*

Draft Amendment to Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) access method and physical layer specifications—  
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*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*   **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to improve on Capitalization

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*Cl* **00**      *SC*                      *P* **General**      *L*                      # **419**  
Roy A Bynum

*Comment Type*    **T**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

This standard tends to support the functional requirements for a limited scope of Subscription Data Packet Services over a privately owned, non-subscription, network facility instead of the functional requirements for a Subscription Network facility itself carrying an unlimited scope of services. In spite of this lack of meeting the defined objective of supporting a "Subscription Network", this standard goes a long way toward meeting the requirements of the segment of the market that is within the limited scope of Subscription Data Packet Services that is emerging to support non-tradition telephony and data services.

*SuggestedRemedy*

None

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

The commenter is encouraged to supply a remedy

*Cl* **00**      *SC* **0**                      *P* **1**                      *L* **1**                      # **850**  
Tom Mathey                                      Independent

*Comment Type*    **T**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

P802.3ae Clause 1.2.5 line 27 has defined the method used for hex notation as 0x. This is now part of the base standard.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Scrub entire document and change all hex numbers to read as "0x"

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The base document does not use this notation so this is tradeoff between being consistant with the base or one of its ammendments.

*Cl* **00**      *SC* **0**                      *P* **1**                      *L* **20**                      # **722**  
James, David                                      JGG

*Comment Type*    **E**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Excessive capitalization

*SuggestedRemedy*

Media Access Control Parameters, Physical Layers and Management Parameters for subscriber access networks

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*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to imprve on capitalization

*Cl* **00**      *SC* **0**                      *P* **1**                      *L* **31**                      # **723**  
James, David                                      JGG

*Comment Type*    **E**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Excessive capitalization

*SuggestedRemedy*

IEEE 802.3 Media Access Control (MAC) and MAC Control sublayers with a family of Physical (PHY) Layers.

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*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to imprve on capitalization

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Cl 00 SC 0 P1 L 32 # 724  
James, David JGG

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Excessive capitalization

## SuggestedRemedy

These Physical Layers include optical fiber and voice grade copper cable Physical Medium Dependent sublayers (PMDs) for

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Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to imprve on capitalization

Cl 00 SC 0 P1 L 34 # 725  
James, David JGG

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Excessive capitalization

## SuggestedRemedy

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Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to imprve on capitalization

Cl 00 SC 0 P1 L 35 # 726  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Excessive capitalization.

This is just one example. Instruct your editors to eliminate capitalization on everything except proper nouns and the first word of headings and sentences.

The profuse use of capitalization, for emphasis, field name delineation, acronyms, etc. is unnecessary and distracting. With so many capitals, its hard to tell when one sentence or field name begins and another one ends.

Start at the front, work through the end, and have a policy in mind. Simply repeating the 802.3 mistakes is not sufficient.

## SuggestedRemedy

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Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to imprve on capitalization

Cl 00 SC 0 P10 L 1 # 730  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Unnecessary page, not part of the specification.

This is normally provided (or so says Tom Alexander) for the convenience of editors when the document is in FrameMaker source. Its not needed in pdf, and (in fact) could lead to some interesting translation ambiguities.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove this and following page.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

This has usually been added to 802.3 docs.

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*Cl* **00**      *SC* **0**                      *P* **2**                      *L* **1**                      # **727**  
James, David                                      JGG

*Comment Type*    **TR**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

This trademark usage page is blank, with no notice of any desire to change or method of change.

This comments was not addressed when marked as editorial, in previous working group ballots. I hope action is taken this time.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Either:

1) Eliminate the page

2) Put some text describing what and when will happen to this page.

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This page is a reminder that text will be added on publication. An editors not can be added to this effect

*Cl* **00**      *SC* **0**                      *P* **2**                      *L* **3**                      # **729**  
James, David                                      JGG

*Comment Type*    **E**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Excess capitalization.

*SuggestedRemedy*

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*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to imprve on capitalization

*Cl* **00**      *SC* **0**                      *P* **2**                      *L* **3**                      # **728**  
James, David                                      JGG

*Comment Type*    **E**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Excess capitalization.

*SuggestedRemedy*

—Specific requirements CSMA/CD Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications)

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*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to imprve on capitalization

*Cl* **00**      *SC* **PICS**                      *P*                      *L*                      # **961**  
Frazier, Howard                                      SWI

*Comment Type*    **T**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Editor in chief: Check all of the PICS subclauses to make sure they have the appropriate copyright release statement in a footnote at the bottom of the first page of the PICS.

*SuggestedRemedy*

The PICS copyright release statement reads:

Copyright release for PICS proformas: Users of this standard may freely reproduce the PICS proforma in this [clause | annex] so that it can be used for its intended purpose and may further publish the completed PICS.

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **01**      *SC* **1.3**                      *P* **14**                      *L* **12**                      # **511**  
Grow, Robert                                      Intel

*Comment Type*    **E**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Multiple references are already in IEEE Std 802.3ae-2002.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Remove references at lines 12, 43.

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.



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Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L 20 # 519  
 Grow, Robert Intel  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Alphabetize.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 -BX comes before -LX in two locations.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L 24 # 391  
 Dawe, Piers Agilent  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 1000BASE-LX10 is for MMF as well as SMF  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change to 'over two single-mode or multimode optical'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L 29 # 514  
 Grow, Robert Intel  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 It looks like the elimination of the use of 1000BASE-PX was incompletely done, as there is now a definition for -PX10, but not -PX20.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Fix  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L 32 # 68  
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 "Physical layer specification for a 10 Mb/s point-to-point link" is inaccurate.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Remove "10 Mb/s" or replace with "100 Mb/s".  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L 35 # 69  
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 "Physical layer specification for a 2 Mb/s point-to-point link" is inaccurate.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Remove "2 Mb/s" or replace with "5.696 Mb/s".  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Will remove 2 Mb/s

# P802.3ah Draft 3.0 Comments

*Cl* **01**      *SC* **1.4**                      *P* **15**                      *L* **38**                      # **732**  
James, David                                      JGG

*Comment Type*    **TR**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Excessive capitalization. There is no point in capitalizing every defined word (or many of them, with no apparent pattern). This confuses the parsing of sentences, since defined words, registers, fields, etc. are all capitalized.

## SuggestedRemedy

1.4.xxx Aggregation group: ...

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1.4.xxx aggregation group: ...

1.4.xxx Bandplan: ...

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1.4.xxx bandplan: ...

1.4.xxx Coupled Power Ratio (CPR): ...

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1.4.xxx coupled power ratio (CPR): ...

1.4.xxx Downstream: ...

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1.4.xxx downstream: ...

1.4.xxx Grant: Within P2MP protocols, ...

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1.4.xxx grant: Within P2MP protocols, ...

1.4.xxx Logical Link Identifier (LLID): ...

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1.4.xxx MPCP Registration: ...

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1.4.xxx OAM Discovery: ...

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1.4.xxx OAM discovery: ...

1.4.xxx Operations, Administration and Maintenance (OAM): ...

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1.4.xxx operations, administration and maintenance (OAM): ...

1.4.xxx Optical Line Terminal (OLT): ...

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1.4.xxx optical line terminal (OLT): ...

1.4.xxx Optical Network Unit (ONU): ...

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1.4.xxx optical network unit (ONU): ...

1.4.xxx P2MP Discovery: ...

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1.4.xxx P2MP discovery: ...

1.4.xxx P2MP Discovery window: ...

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1.4.xxx P2MP discovery window: ...

1.4.xxx P2MP Timestamp: ...

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1.4.xxx P2MP timestamp: ...

1.4.xxx Point to Multi-Point Network (P2MP): ...

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1.4.xxx point to multi-point network (P2MP): ...

1.4.xxx Point-to-point emulation (P2PE): ...

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1.4.xxx Ranging: ...

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1.4.xxx ranging: ...

1.4.xxx Reflectance: ...

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1.4.xxx reflectance: ...

1.4.xxx Upstream: ...

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1.4.xxx upstream: ...

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to improve on the capitalization

*Cl* **01**      *SC* **1.4**                      *P* **15**                      *L* **39**                      # **518**  
Grow, Robert                                      Intel

*Comment Type*    **E**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Inconsistent style.

## SuggestedRemedy

Reference should be "(See IEEE 802.3 Clause 61.2.2.)"

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L 48 # 851**  
Tom Mathey Independent  
**Comment Type E Comment Status D**  
PLAIN TEXT VERSION  
Bad grammer, add a verb to sentence.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
which end of a link "is" closer.  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L 48 # 520**  
Grow, Robert Intel  
**Comment Type E Comment Status D**  
Grammar problem  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
Should read: "which end of a link is closer to,". Make text agree with resolution of "side" versus "end" comments.  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L 48 # 790**  
Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel  
**Comment Type E Comment Status D**  
Grammar problem  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
Change the text:  
"...which end of a link closer to an subscriber,..."  
To the text:  
"...which end of a link closer to a subscriber,..."  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L 7 # 516**  
Grow, Robert Intel  
**Comment Type E Comment Status D**  
This is a "Replace", not a "Change".  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
Correct editing instruction to "Replace 1.4.10 with:"  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L 9 # 731**  
James, David JGG  
**Comment Type E Comment Status D**  
Excessive capitalization.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
IEEE 802.3 Physical Layer specification  
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IEEE 802.3 Physical layer specification  
On this line and all others with like text.  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Will try to improve on the capitalization.

**Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L 18 # 524**  
Grow, Robert Intel  
**Comment Type E Comment Status D**  
Grammar  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
Change "an P2MP" to "a P2MP".  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L 25 # 525  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**  
Excessive protocol details for definition of a term.

SuggestedRemedy  
Delete text after first sentence.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L 34 # 526  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**  
Unnecessary detail in the definition (makes maintenance more difficult because of redundancy with clause specifying the protocols).

SuggestedRemedy  
Replace with: "P2MP Timestamp: The timestamp used to synchronize slaves (e.g., ONUs) with the master (OLT) and for the ranging process.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L 40 # 527  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
Inconsistent style.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change to: "frames. (See Clauses 64 and 65)."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L 53 # 367  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**  
Need to add a definition for 'unit interval'. This is trickier to write than it seems: need to cover e.g. Manchester code and/or multilane and/or multilevel transmission formats. For info: <http://www.atis.org/tg2k/> has 'unit interval: In isochronous transmission, the longest interval of which the theoretical durations of the significant intervals of a signal are all whole multiples.' Can anyone improve on my attempt below?

SuggestedRemedy  
Add 'unit interval' to the definitions list 1.4: 'A period of time, usually allocated for the transmission of one symbol on one channel; the inverse of the modulation rate.'

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED REJECT.

Please refer to comment # from D2.1. We have not defined unot interval in Clause 1 in the past. A definition here may be inconsistent with the rest of the book.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L 54 # 852  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
PLAIN TEXT VERSION  
Bad grammer, add a verb to sentence.

SuggestedRemedy  
which end of a link "is" closer.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L 54 # 791  
Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
Wording is incomplete and has grammar problem.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change text from:  
"Upstream: In an access network, where there is a clear indication in each deployment as to which end of a link closer to an subscriber, transmission away from the subscriber side of the link."  
To the following text:  
"Upstream: In an access network, transmission away from the subscriber end of the link. Applicable to networks where there is a clear indication in each deployment as to which end of a link is closer to the subscriber."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L 54 # 523  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Grammar problem

## SuggestedRemedy

Should read: "which end of a link is closer to,". Make text agree with resolution of "side" versus "end" comments.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L 54 # 70  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Missing verb ("which end of a link closer") and obsolete 'n' ("an subscriber").

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "which end of a link closer" with "which end of a link is closer".  
Replace "an subscriber" with "a subscriber".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L 54 # 368  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
an subscriber

## SuggestedRemedy

a subscriber

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P17 L 5 # 733  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Excessive capitalization. There is no point in capitalizing every acronym (or many of them, with no apparent pattern). This confuses the parsing of sentences, since defined words, registers, fields, etc. are all capitalized.  
Also, IEEE Style manual clearly shown acronyms not capitalized unless proper nouns.

Due to the large number of these, and failures in the past when attempting to resolve these earlier, they have been elevated to a TR.

After fixing the unnecessary capitalization, provide a check list to the other clause editors. Its easier for them to search, then for me and/or others to do so on their behalf.

## SuggestedRemedy

CO Central Office  
==>  
CO central office

CPE Customer Premises Equipment  
==>  
CPE customer premises equipment

CPR Coupled Power Ratio  
==>  
CPR coupled power ratio

DMT Discrete Multi-Tone  
==>  
DMT discrete multi-tone

DA Destination Address  
==>  
DA destination address

EFM Ethernet in the First Mile  
==>  
EFM Ethernet in the first mile

EFM Cu Ethernet in the First Mile ...  
==>  
EFM Cu Ethernet in the first mile ...

FEC Forward Error Correction  
==>  
FEC forward error correction

FSW Frame Synchronization Word  
==>  
FSW frame synchronization word<cr  
LLID Logical Link identifier

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==> LLID logical link identifier	PAFH PMI aggregation function header
MPCP Multi-Point Control Protocol	PAM Pulse Amplitude Modulation
==> MPCP multi-point control protocol	==> PAM pulse amplitude modulation
OAM Operations, Administration, and Maintenance	PMS-TC Physical Media Specific - Transmission Convergence
==> OAM operations, administration, and maintenance	==> PMS-TC physical media specific - transmission convergence
OAMPDU Operations, Administration, and Maintenance Protocol Data Unit	PSD Power Spectral Density
==> OAMPDU operations, administration, and maintenance protocol data unit	==> PSD power spectral density
ODN Optical Distribution Network	SA Source Address
==> ODN optical distribution network	==> SA source address
OH Overhead	SHDSL Single-pair High-speed Digital Subscriber Line
==> OH overhead	==> SHDSL single-pair high-speed digital subscriber line
OLT Optical Line Terminal	STU-O SHDSL Transceiver Unit - Central Office
==> OLT optical line terminal	==> STU-O SHDSL transceiver unit - central office
ONU Optical Network Unit	STU-R SHDSL Transceiver Unit - Remote
==> ONU optical network unit	==> STU-R SHDSL transceiver unit - remote
ORLT Optical return loss tolerance	TCM Trellis Coded Modulation
==> ORLT optical return loss tolerance	==> TCM Trellis coded modulation
P2P Point to Point	UPBO Upstream power back-off
==> P2P point to point	==> UPBO upstream power back-off
P2PE Point to Point Emulation	<i>Proposed Response</i> <i>Response Status</i> <b>W</b>
==> P2PE point to point emulation	PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
P2MP Point to Multi-Point	Will try to improve on the capitalization.
==> P2MP point to multi-point	
PAF PMI Aggregation Function	
==> PAF PMI aggregation function	
PAFH PMI Aggregation Function Header	
==>	

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Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L # 378  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Please add PON and EPON to the abbreviations list.

SuggestedRemedy  
(Ethernet) passive optical network

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

Refer to comment #379

Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 10 # 530  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Incomplete expansion of acronym.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change to "two level pulse amplitude modulation "

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 19 # 392  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D Reassigned  
'EFM Cu' is an abbreviation which will not make much sense when EFM is folded into 802.3. Apparently it's used by clause 45 only.

SuggestedRemedy  
Search and replace all 'EFM Cu' with '10P/2B' then remove from abbreviations list.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Would like the C45 STF to take a look at what is the best abbreviation.

Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 42 # 531  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
No expansion of PMI

SuggestedRemedy  
Add definition.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 5 # 529  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Heavy abuse of capitalization throughout the section. (Look at 802.3-2002 rather than 802.3ae-2002 for appropriate capitalization.)

SuggestedRemedy  
Only capatilize proper nouns.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to improve on the capitalization

Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 53 # 71  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
"TPS-TC" is missing from the abbreviations list.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add: "TPS-TC -- Transport Protocol Specific Transmission Convergence sublayer".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 54 # 94  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
"VDSL" is missing from the abbreviations list.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add: "VDSL -- Very-high Speed Digital Subscriber Line".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

I thought this was diisucssed and removed. Will check what the previous outcome was.

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Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L7 # 792  
Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type E Comment Status D Reassigned

The abbreviations 10P/2B and 2B are confusing as they use "B" in a new context. This particular format for "nB" is well established in a different context within the existing standard (e.g. 4B/5B and 8B/10B).

## SuggestedRemedy

Pick some other less confusing designation.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Would like to give the Cu STF a chance to take a look at this

Cl 22 SC 1.4 P21 L1 # 734  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Excessive capitalization. There is no point in capitalizing every acronym (or many of them, with no apparent pattern). This confuses the parsing of sentences, since defined words, registers, fields, etc. are all capitalized.  
Also, IEEE Style manual clearly shown acronyms not capitalized unless proper nouns.

Due to the large number of these, and failures in the past when attempting to resolve these earlier, they have been elevated to a TR.

After fixing the unnecessary capitalization, provide a check list to the other clause editors. Its easier for them to search, then for me and/or others to do so on their behalf.

## SuggestedRemedy

22. Reconciliation Sublayer (RS) and Media Independent Interface (MII)  
==>  
22. Reconciliation sublayer (RS) and media independent interface (MII)

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Is it within our scope to change the title of an existing subclause?

Cl 22 SC 22.2.4.1 P22 L3 # 532  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Editing instruction is now too narrow (with other changes).

## SuggestedRemedy

"Change Table 22-7 as follows:"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 22 SC 22.2.4.1 P22 L40 # 533  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The definition of a bit in the middle of the reserved bits makes no sense.

## SuggestedRemedy

Move the Unidirectional enable bit to 0.5. Correct descriptive text accordingly.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

All the control registers in 802.3ae, Clause 45 have only bits x.0.1 and x.0.0 reserved, except for the PMA/PMD MMD, which only has bit 1.0.1 reserved. When I did an overlap with the Clause 22 control register, bit 0.1 was the only common bit across all of these registers that was reserved.

I would consider moving it if folks don't feel this is a worthwhile reason.

Cl 22 SC 22.2.4.1.11 P23 L3 # 534  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Though technically correct, it is difficult (at least for me) to tell what changed.

## SuggestedRemedy

Mark with strike out of complete old bit numbers and underscore of complete new bit numbers. (If my comment to move the bit isn't accepted, "0.5:0" in strikethrough and "0.5:2 and 0.0" in underline.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 22 SC 22.2.4.1.12 P 23 L 20 # 747  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Subclause is unclear and contains data that is either duplicated or belongs in another clause.

## SuggestedRemedy

Move the last sentence of the last paragraph to be the last sentence of the first paragraph.

Move the second paragraph to proceed the first paragraph. Move MF42 & MF43 in PICS to proceed MF38 & MF39.

Delete the third paragraph and delete MF40 & MF41. This information should be in those respective clauses and repetition here just requires editing if another standards development wishes to use this bit.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

I agree with all the moves.

The third paragraph was added to resolve a TR in WG ballot. I am hesitant to remove it for fear that the TR would return unless, of course, it keeps this TR open. This needs to be discussed.

CI 22 SC 22.2.4.1.12 P 23 L 29 # 324  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing period.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add the . after 'PHY'

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 22 SC 22.2.4.1.12 P 23 L 29 # 323  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Although it's not absolutely impossible, it's generally a very bad idea to switch on unidirectional transmission for a 1000BASE-PX-U PHY.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add:

NOTE - To avoid collisions, a management entity should not set bit 0.1 of a 1000BASE-PX-U PHY to a logic one.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add this sentence as real text at the end of paragraph 3.

CI 22 SC 22.2.4.2.8 P 25 L 9 # 793  
Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Proposed text goes well beyond the allowed scope of the project. As worded it would appear to allow "unidirectional ability" on legacy PHY types. This change could cause great confusion and interoperability problems with conformat legacy networks.

## SuggestedRemedy

Limit the scope of this change to the PHY types being added by this clause that support unidirectional ability. Require that the value of bit 1.7 will be zero for all other current PHY types.

Any WG action to add unidirectional ability to legacy PHY types should be done through maintenance or a new project with the appropriate scope.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Recommend the following wording:

"Bit 1.7 shall be set to 0 for all PHYs except the following: 100BASE-X using the PCS specified in 66.1, 1000BASE-X using the PCS specified in 66.2 and 10GBASE using the RS specified in 66.3."

This assumes that 66.3 doesn't get removed as part of the response to comment #380.

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Cl 22 SC 22.2.4.3.11 P25 L 51 # 559  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Rewrite this paragraph for clarity

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace entire paragraph with the following:

"Each MMD maintains its own individual address register as described in 45.2.8. The DEVAD field directs any accesses of Register 14 to the appropriate MMD as described in 45.2. If the access of Register 14 is an address access (bits 13.15:14 = 00b) then it is directed to the address register within the MMD associated with the value in the DEVAD field (bits 13.4:0). Otherwise, both the DEVAD field and that MMD's address register direct the Register 14 data accesses to the appropriate registers within that MMD.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 22 SC 22.7.2.3 P27 L 5 # 748  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

MF38-43 are written as being mandatory for all devices using Clause 22. This is not the intent; therefore, a new ability is required.

## SuggestedRemedy

Insert into the table in 22.7.2.3 the following information:

\*OAM; Implementation of OAM unidirectional ability; 57, 65; O; Yes[ ], No[ ]

Change Status for MF38-43 in table in 22.7.3.4 to read: OAM:M

Change Support for MF 38-43 in table in 22.7.3.4 to read: Yes[ ], NA[ ]

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Agree to everything except use clauses 57 & 66 in table 22.7.2.3, not 57 & 65.

Cl 22D SC 22D P552 L 01 # 430  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status D

In general when a register is being referred to the 'r' in register is upper case - see existing Clause 22 and also the changes to Clause 45 contained in IEEE P802.3ah (I will not comment on the correctness of this - it is just consistent).

## SuggestedRemedy

Change 'register 13' to 'Register 13' and 'register 14' to 'Register 14' throughout this annex.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 22D SC 22D.4 P553 L 34 # 431  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status D

I cannot see the point of including the text in penultimate paragraph (lines 34 to 38) and the text in last paragraph (lines 39 to 44) seems to be misleading at a minimum and possibly incorrect.

The penultimate paragraph states 'Coexistence of MMDs with the same PHY Address is worth more consideration. MMDs using the Clause 45 access mechanism and sharing a common PHY address avoid bus conflicts because Device Address is part of the frame structure. Only an MMD with a matching Device Address responds to the bus access.' which is correct however I don't see the point of including this particular information as it is a duplication of information included in Clause 45. The last paragraph then goes on to state 'These MMDs avoid bus conflicts by following these simple rules:' however this is not correct, these MMDs avoid bus conflict exactly the way it is stated in the previous paragraph, by the use of the Device Address.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the final two paragraphs.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30 P30 L 1 # 854  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

While the port configuration is expected to be set via manual method (such as management variable, a fixed trace, or a jumper on a printed circuit board), if two ends of the link are both set to the same sub-type (both as \_R, or both as \_O) per 3.x.15 in table 45-72, then the handshake will fail but without any information back to the user as to why.

## SuggestedRemedy

To NPAR and SPAR, add ability to report the \_R and \_O setting of the link partner. Provide to clause 45 register and to clause 30 management access. Note that assignment as \_R or \_O in 3.x.15 in table 45-72 is in the wrong layer and is expected to change to PMA as the PCS does nothing with \_R or \_O.

Proposed Response Response Status W

The attributes will be added if the ability to report the \_R and \_O setting of the link partner is added to NPAR and SPAR by the Cu STF.

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**Cl 30**      **SC 30**      **P 30**      **L 1**      **# 853**  
 Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

Clause 61 for 10P/2B requires the use of a "coding violation" register. This register is called out in multiple places:  
 P353 line 21, 24,24  
 P354 lind8, 53  
 P356 line 24

Clause 45 is missing this register; an invalid reference is provided on p354 line 54.  
 Clause 30 is missing this management variable.  
 The 30.5.1.1.12 aPCSCodingViolation variable listed on p47 is used only for 100/1000 devices per comment #431 D2.1 p17.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add to Clause 45 a aPCSCodingViolation register.  
 Add to Clause 30 a aPCSCodingViolation variable which is specific to 10P/2B hierarchy.  
 Clause 61 to provide correct cross reference.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

The "coding violation" counter referenced in Clause 61 relates to Figure 61-19 "State diagram for 64/65-octet receive function" which is a per-PMI function. As such there is not a single coding violation counter available for the PHY so Clause 61 cannot support aPCSCodingViolation attribute.

(See comment #73 which addresses the Clause 45 regsiter issue).

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.1.2**      **P 30**      **L 38**      **# 536**  
 Grow, Robert      Intel

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

The source text is in IEEE Std 802.3af-2003.

## SuggestedRemedy

At document reference to editing instruction.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Also the itroductory text should be modified as aMediaAvalible is modified by IEEE Std 802.3aj-2003.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.1.2**      **P 30**      **L 45**      **# 535**  
 Grow, Robert      Intel

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

The capatilization change on figure is not a change from 802.3af.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove strikethrough "f" and remove the underscore from the "F".

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.11.1.1.13**      **P 56**      **L 11**      **# 33**  
 Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

It seems like the total Rx/Tx OAMPDU attributes can be eliminated as we count the Rx/Tx per op-code. The total can be derived as the sums over all op-codes.

## SuggestedRemedy

Eliminate these counters as they can be derived.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.11.1.1.18**      **P 57**      **L 26**      **# 34**  
 Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

We break up the Rx event counts into duplicate and unique, but we do not do so on transmit. Seems like we'd want the Tx/Rx to be the same.

## SuggestedRemedy

Break up the EventNotificationTx into UniqueEventNotificationTx and DuplicateEventNotificationTx.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.11.1.1.5**      **P 53**      **L 50**      **# 31**  
 Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

We've been using "Remote Loopback" instead of just "Loopback".

## SuggestedRemedy

Add "Remote".

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.11.1.1.6 P54 L 5 # 32  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status D

I'm not sure how perfect the conditions have to be specified in this clause, but there are two conditions for all of the information learned from an Information OAMPDU that aren't covered here (and maybe don't have to be, but I'll mention them anyway):

- 1) Information OAMPDUs don't have to have TLVs
- 2) You can use the revision number so that you don't have to update/process information on every Information OAMPDU (e.g. if it hasn't changed, don't try to update your info about your peer).

Do we need to mention these in the related clauses here (30.11.1.1.5,6,8,9,10,11,12)

## SuggestedRemedy

Looking for David's thoughts on how complete these conditions have to be specified.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.1 P66 L # 63  
Kharmosh, Lior Passave

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Add additional counter:  
30.12.1.6  
aBroadcastLLIDNotOnuID

## SuggestedRemedy

30.12.1.6 aBroadcastLLIDNotOnuID  
A count of frames received that contain a valid SPD field in a OLT, as defined in clause 65.1.2.4.1, and pass the CRC-8 check, as defined in clause 65.1.2.4.3, and contain broadcast LLID as defined in clause 65. This attribute is mandatory for a OLT and for a ONU.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.1 P66 L # 64  
Kharmosh, Lior Passave

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Add additional counter:  
30.12.1.7  
aOnuLLIDNotBroadcast

## SuggestedRemedy

30.12.1.7 aOnuLLIDNotBroadcast  
A count of frames received that contain a valid SPD field in a OLT, as defined in clause 65.1.2.4.1, and pass the CRC-8 check, as defined in clause 65.1.2.4.3, and contain the ONU's LLID as defined in clause 65. This attribute is mandatory for an ONU and mandatory for a OLT (a counter per LLID).

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.1 P66 L # 65  
Kharmosh, Lior Passave

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Add additional counter:  
30.12.1.8  
aBroadcastLLIDAntiOnuID

## SuggestedRemedy

30.12.1.8 aBroadcastLLIDAntiOnuID  
A count of frames received that contain a valid SPD field in a OLT, as defined in clause 65.1.2.4.1, and pass the CRC-8 check, as defined in clause 65.1.2.4.3, and contain the broadcast LLID plus ONU's LLID (frame reflected) as defined in clause 65 (same LLID with broadcast bit set). This attribute is mandatory for an ONU and mandatory for a OLT (a counter per LLID).

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.12.1 P 66 L # 66  
Kharmosh, Lior Passave

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Add additional counter:  
30.12.1.9  
aNotBroadcastLLIDNotOnuld

SuggestedRemedy

30.12.1.9 aNotBroadcastLLIDNotOnuld  
A count of frames received that contain a valid SPD field in a OLT, as defined in clause 65.1.2.4.1, and pass the CRC-8 check, as defined in clause 65.1.2.4.3, and does not contain the ONU's LLID as defined in clause 65. This attribute is mandatory for an ONU

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.2.2.1 P 31 L 9 # 539  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Though the order of the entities attempts to reproduce the heirarchy, it isn't consistent. Sometimes, the left most branch is traversed to the leaf and at other times, it is done by levels from oAggregator. I can't figure out any reason why oPAUSE Entity or oMPCP are ordered as is.

SuggestedRemedy

Perhaps this is something to look at in maintenance, but why not make the list alphabetical? Especially since it now covers two figures.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.2.2.1 P 32 L 1 # 537  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

oMACControlFunctionEntity is not completely removed from 802.3-2002 by the changes of 802.3ah.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove reference in IEEE Std 802.3 Table 30-1c (pdf page 859, printed page 282) and 30A.4.1 pdf page 1063, printed page 486) -- requires redefinition of package.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.2.2.1 P 32 L 8 # 538  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Incorrect change marking.

SuggestedRemedy

"Otherwise" is not new text, remove underscore.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.2.3 P 33 L 50 # 540  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
List of three figures.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to "Figure 30-3 through Figure 30-5".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.2.3 P 34 L 1 # 145  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Only oPHYEntity is shown while there is no object that represents the PMA/PMD (PMI)

SuggestedRemedy

Add a new managed object oPMI or oPMIEntity with one-to-many relationship from oPHYEntity. Provide a description for this new object class and specify its attributes in the relevant sections.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.3.5 P43 L # 57  
 Khermosh, Lior Passave  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Add additional counter:  
 30.3.5.1.19  
 aTxReport  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 30.3.5.1.19 aTxReport  
 A count of the number of times a REPORT MPCP frames transmission occurs.  
 Increment the counter by one for each REPORT MPCP frame transmitted as defined in clause 64. This counter is mandatory for an ONU  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5 P43 L # 58  
 Khermosh, Lior Passave  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Add additional counter:  
 30.3.5.1.20  
 aRxReport  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 30.3.5.1.20 aRxReport  
 A count of the number of times a REPORT MPCP frames reception occurs. A single counter at the ONU and a set of counters, one for each LLID, at the OLT. Increment the counter by one for each REPORT MPCP frame received for each LLID, as defined in clause 64. This counter is mandatory for an ONU and for an OLT  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5 P43 L # 54  
 Khermosh, Lior Passave  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Add additional counter:  
 30.3.5.1.16  
 aRxRegRequest  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 30.3.5.1.16 aRxRegRequest  
 A count of the number of times a REGISTER\_REQ MPCP frames reception occurs. A single counter at the ONU and a set of counters, one for each LLID, at the OLT. Increment the counter by one for each REGISTER\_REQ MPCP frame received for each LLID as defined in clause 64. This counter is mandatory for an ONU and for an OLT  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5 P43 L # 62  
 Khermosh, Lior Passave  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Add additional counter:  
 30.3.5.1.24  
 aRxRegister  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 30.3.5.1.24 aRxRegister  
 A count of the number of times a REGISTER MPCP frames reception occurs. A single counter at the ONU and a set of counters, one for each LLID, at the OLT. Increment the counter by one for each REGISTER MPCP frame received, for each LLID, as defined in clause 64. This counter is mandatory for an ONU and for an OLT.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5 P43 L # 59  
 Khermosh, Lior Passave  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Add additional counter:  
 30.3.5.1.21  
 aTxGate  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 30.3.5.1.21 aTxGate  
 A count of the number of times a GATE MPCP frames transmission occurs. A set of counters, one for each LLID, at the OLT. Increment the counter by one for each GATE MPCP frame transmitted, for each LLID, as defined in clause 64. This counter is mandatory for an OLT.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 30 SC 30.3.5 P43 L # 61  
 Khermosh, Lior Passave  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Add additional counter:  
 30.3.5.1.23  
 aTxRegister  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 30.3.5.1.23 aTxRegister  
 A count of the number of times a REGISTER MPCP frames transmission occurs. A set of counters, one for each LLID, at the OLT. Increment the counter by one for each REGISTER MPCP frame transmitted, for each LLID, as defined in clause 64. This counter is mandatory for an OLT.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 30 SC 30.3.5 P43 L # 60  
 Khermosh, Lior Passave  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Add additional counter:  
 30.3.5.1.22  
 aRxGate  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 30.3.5.1.22 aRxGate  
 A count of the number of times a GATE MPCP frames reception occurs. A single counter at the ONU and a set of counters, one for each LLID, at the OLT. Increment the counter by one for each GATE MPCP frame received, for each LLID, as defined in clause 64. This counter is mandatory for an ONU and for an OLT.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 30 SC 30.3.5 P43 L # 56  
 Khermosh, Lior Passave  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Add additional counter:  
 30.3.5.1.18  
 aRxRegAck  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 30.3.5.1.18 aRxRegAck  
 A count of the number of times a REGISTER\_ACK MPCP frames reception occurs. A single counter at the ONU and a set of counters, one for each LLID, at the OLT. Increment the counter by one for each REGISTER\_ACK MPCP frame received for each LLID, as defined in clause 64. This counter is mandatory for an ONU and for an OLT  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 30 SC 30.3.5 P43 L # 53  
 Khermosh, Lior Passave  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Add additional counter:  
 30.3.5.1.15  
 aTxRegRequest  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 30.3.5.1.15 aTxRegRequest  
 A count of the number of times a REGISTER\_REQ MPCP frames transmission occurs. Increment the counter by one for each REGISTER\_REQ MPCP frame transmitted as defined in clause 64. This counter is mandatory for an ONU  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 30 SC 30.3.5 P43 L # 55  
 Khermosh, Lior Passave  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Add additional counter:  
 30.3.5.1.17  
 aTxRegAck  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 30.3.5.1.17 aTxRegAck  
 A count of the number of times a REGISTER\_ACK MPCP frames transmission occurs. Increment the counter by one for each REGISTER\_ACK MPCP frame transmitted as defined in clause 64. This counter is mandatory for an ONU  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1**      **P 52**      **L**      **# 52**  
 Khermosh, Lior      Passave

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

Add additional attribute:  
 30.5.1.1.31  
 aFECmode

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 30.5.1.1.31  
 aFECmode

indicates the mode of operation of the optional FEC Sublayer for Forward error correction (see clause 65.2). It could be either enabled or disabled (not existing).

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1..14**      **P 48**      **L 10**      **# 543**  
 Grow, Robert      Intel

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**

Cut and paste with incomplete edits? The APPROPRIATE SYNTAX of aFECCorrectedBlocks and aFECUncorrectableBlocks are not consistent in either maximum increment rates or in specification of both 10 Mb/s and 1000 Mb/s

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 It seems like the Corrected and Uncorrectable counts should have the same maximum increment rate and applicability to same speeds.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

This was a incomplete edit.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1.1.12**      **P 47**      **L 35**      **# 542**  
 Grow, Robert      Intel

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

Line breaking "/".

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change FrameMaker line break symbol list to remove "/".

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1.1.16**      **P 48**      **L 33**      **# 452**  
 Law, David      3Com

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**

The additional copper attributes do not account for the fact that a single PHY can consist of multiple aggregated PMIs. Suggest that a new object oPAF be added that is subordinate to oPHYEntity. oPAF will include PMI aggregation related attributes and will have a one to many relationship to another new subordinate object oPMI. The oPMI object will provide the per PMI attributes.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Please implement the changes proposed in the presentation law\_1\_0104.pdf.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The proposal will be accepted based on edits required to resolve other comments.

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Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.16 P48 L34 # 146  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

aPHYCurrentStatus parameter values defined describe an individual PMA/PMD (PMI) status, not suited to be called PHY in case of PMI aggregation. In addition Initialization states are not reflected. Also a similar object is needed per PMA/PMD (PMI). Also noPmiAssigned value has disappeared.

## SuggestedRemedy

Leave values that make sense in aggregated PMI case. i.e.

noDefect - no defect

noPmiAssigned - no PMIs assigned in case of PMI aggregation

lossOfFraming - one or more PMIs in the aggregation group indicate Loss of Framing

lossOfSignal - one or more PMIs in the aggregation group indicate Loss of Signal

lossOfPower - one or more PMIs in the aggregation group indicate Loss of Power

lossOfSignalQuality - one or more PMIs in the aggregation group indicate Loss of Signal Quality

lossOfLink - one or more PMIs in the aggregation group indicate Loss of Link

dataInitFailure - data initialization failure

configInitFailure - configuration initialization failure

noPeerPMIPresent - one or more PMIs in the aggregation group indicate no peer PMI present

lossOfPMASyncWord - one or more PMIs in the aggregation group indicate Loss of PMA Synchronization word

snrMarginViolation - one or more PMIs in the aggregation group indicate SNR Margin Violation

loopAttenuationViolation - one or more PMIs in the aggregation group indicate Loop Attenuation Violation

Specify a similar object for PMA/PMD: aPMICurrentStatus.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #452.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.16 P48 L40 # 860  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

unambiguous mapping of Status to operational state of 2BASE-TL not possible

## SuggestedRemedy

provide mapping of each status to PHY specific operational state (i.e. for 2BASE-TL:

loopattenuationViolation to loop attenuation defect, Lossofink to LOSW defect, other ??)

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.16 P48 L40 # 89  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Entries 1-9 seem to be adapted from the IETF MIB for VDSL (draft-ietf-adslmib-vdsl-12.txt). The descriptions in Clause 30 are insufficient to understand how the value of the attribute should be set. Suggest to (a) better describe the entries, in accordance with the IETF MIB for VDSL, or (b) replace them by entries that correspond to the states in Figure 62-4. Note that conditions "configInitFailure" and "protocolInitFailure" should never occur in 10PASS-TS systems; they are therefore not present in the list proposed by the suggested remedy.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remedy (a):

Replace entries 1-9 with:

-noDefect: There are no defects on the line

-lossOfFraming: 10PASS-TS failure due to not receiving a valid frame

-lossOfSignal: 10PASS-TS failure due to not receiving signal

-lossOfPower: 10PASS-TS failure due to loss of power

-lossOfSignalQuality: Loss of Signal Quality is declared when the Noise Margin falls below the Minimum Noise Margin, or the bit error ratio exceeds 10<sup>-7</sup>

-lossOfLink: 10PASS-TS failure due to inability to link with peer 10PASS-TS PHY. Set whenever the transceiver is in the WARM\_START state.

-dataInitFailure: 10PASS-TS failure during initialization due to bit errors corrupting startup exchange data

-noPeerVtuPresent: 10PASS-TS failure during initialization due to no activation sequence detected from peer 10PASS-TS PHY

Remedy (b):

Replace entries 1-9 with:

-powerOff: initial state, intended for service installation and modification

-initializing: link activation (cold start, warm start) in progress

-steadyStateTransmission: link activation process is completed

-lossOfSync: transmission frame synchronization loss has occurred

-powerDown: state achieved after guided power removal, power failure, or QUIET deactivation

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This attribute needs to be able to support both 10PASS-TS and 2BASE-TL. The behaviour will be updated to support this.

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**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1.1.16**      **P48**      **L 54**      # **861**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon  
*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 order of cross ref wrong (2BASE-TL defined in Clause 63) and wrong cross ref to 2BASE-TL  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 change order and update of cross ref for 2BASE-TI to 63.2.2.3  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1.1.16**      **P48**      **L 54**      # **88**  
 Beck, Michael      Alcatel Bell n.v.  
*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Behaviour specification of aPhyCurrentStatus references non-existing subclause 62.3.4.5.1.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 For 10PASS-TS, the text should reference the "Link state and timing diagram" in 62.3.4.8.  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1.1.17**      **P49**      **L 1**      # **151**  
 Edward Beili      Actelis Networks Inc.  
*Comment Type*    **TR**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 aPMDSNR is described as a 2B/10P PHY parameter while it is a PMA/PMD (PMI) parameter.  
 In addition -O vs. -R behavior is not specified.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 - Rename it to aPMISNRMgn or aSNRMgn  
 - Replace the description text with the following:  
 "10PassTS/2BaseTL PMI current Signal-to-Noise Ratio (SNR) Margin, as specified in 802.3ah 63.3. This Read-Only object reflects SNR Margin, as perceived by an individual PMI (both -O and -R subtypes), with respect to the received signal in dB.  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
  
 See comment #452.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1.1.17**      **P49**      **L 9**      # **29**  
 Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks  
*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 The attribute applies to 10P & 2B copper PHYs, and there's a reference to the 2B PHY use, but not the 10P PHY use.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Add reference to Clause 62 support of this attribute.  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Reference to subclause 62.3.4.7 will be added.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1.1.18**      **P49**      **L 11**      # **152**  
 Edward Beili      Actelis Networks Inc.  
*Comment Type*    **TR**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 aProfileSelect is described as a 2B PHY parameter while it is really a PMA/PMD (PMI) parameter.  
 In case of PMI Aggregation setting all PMIs in the aggregation group to the same profile may significantly reduce total bandwidth since all pairs would be set to a possible rate on the worst pair (as is the case in IMA).  
 In addition there's no similar object for 10P PMI. No way of specifying a number of profiles is given (up to 5 profiles can be specified in North America and Europe).

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 - Change INTEGER type to INTEGER list or whatever the appropriate name for a list. (it should really be a list of enums).  
 - Define a number of some making sense profiles for 10P PMI (probably in some 62 Annex)  
 - Replace the description text with the following:  
 "10PassTS/2BaseTL PMI operating complete Profile, as specified in 802.3ah 63.A3 and 62.Ax.  
 This object is writable for the CO subtype PMIs (-O), changing the operating profile for the PMI and its link partner. It is read-only for the CPE subtype (-R).  
  
 Changing PMD profile must be performed when the link is Down. Attempts to change this object MUST be rejected with, if the link is Up or Initializing.  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
  
 Create a clause 30 management variable which selects any of the complete profiles used as test cases in Table 62B-1. The new variable overrides the existing variables for the individual profile settings, unless it is set to zero.

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Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.18 P 49 L 18 # 138  
Kimpe, Marc Adtran

Comment Type T Comment Status D

A 2BASE-TL PHY can also operate using settings that do not constitute a profile. In order to avoid potential confusion, the aProfileSelect register should have a setting that says: no profile selected.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add the following sentence at the end of the current behaviour text.  
"A value of zero means that the 2BASE-TL operation is defined via the clause 45 register settings (table 45.33 & 45.34) rather than a specific profile."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.19 P 49 L 22 # 153  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

aBandNotchProfile is described as 10P PHY parameter while it is a PMA/PMD (PMI) parameter.  
-O vs. -R behavior as well as SET conditions are not specified. No way of specifying a number of profiles is given  
(I understand that up to 4 profiles can be specified in North America and up to 5 in Europe).

## SuggestedRemedy

- Change INTEGER type to INTEGER list or whatever the appropriate name for a list.  
- Replace the description text with the following:  
"10PassTS PMI Band Notch Profile, as specified in 802.3ah Annex 62A. This object is writable for the CO subtype PMIs (10PassTS-O). It is read-only for the CPE subtype (10PassTS-R).  
The SET operation changes egress control Band Notch Profile to the specified value (list). Changing the Band Notch Profile must be performed when the link is Down. Attempts to change this object MUST be rejected, if the link is Up or Initializing."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #452.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.2 P 44 L 31 # 541  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Formatting.

## SuggestedRemedy

Not clear that there is a space or tab between the neme and the description. Also on line 34 and 54 and page 45 lines 2-6 and 16. Might be better to modify the change the indent for everything in this list, or perhaps even the style sheet.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.2 P 44 L 4 # 856  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Added text is wide enough that new text has no white space between the columns

## SuggestedRemedy

Move tab location.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.20 P 49 L 34 # 149  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

aPayloadRateProfileUpstream is described as 10P PHY parameter while it is a PMA/PMD (PMI) parameter.  
-O vs. -R behavior as well as SET conditions are not specified.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace the text with the following:  
"10PassTS PMI Upstream Payload Rate Profile, as specified in 802.3ah Annex 62A. This object is writable for the CO subtype PMIs (10PassTS-O). It is read-only for the CPE subtype (10PassTS-R).  
The SET operation sets a target for the PHY's Upstream Payload Bitrate as seen at the MII. If the payload rate of the selected profile cannot be achieved based on the loop environment, bandplan and PSD mask, the PHY shall drop the link.  
Changing Upstream Payload Rate Profile must be performed when the link is Down. Attempts to change this object MUST be rejected, if the link is Up or Initializing."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #452.

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Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.20 P49 L 39 # 90  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Values greater than 100 should not be allowed for the attribute aPayloadRateProfileUpstream.  
Values of 200 and 140 should be allowed for the attribute aPayloadRateProfileDownstream.

## SuggestedRemedy

Swap syntax descriptions of aPayloadRateProfileUpstream and aPayloadRateProfileDownstream, to make values consistent with those defined in Annex 62A.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.21 P50 L # 143  
Barrow, Bruce SCC14

Comment Type E Comment Status D

On page 50 and elsewhere, please use the correct unit symbol for kilobit per second, kb/s.

## SuggestedRemedy

The expression "kb/s/500" is not defined algebraically. Do you mean "(kb/s)/500" or "kb/(s/500)"? Note that 10/5/2 is ambiguous; (10/5)/2 = 1, whereas 10/(5/2) = 4. When I tried to "see 62A.3.6" as invited by the text, I could not find my way.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.21 P50 L 1 # 150  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

aPayloadRateProfileDownstream is described as 10P PHY parameter while it is a PMA/PMD (PMI) parameter.  
-O vs. -R behavior as well as SET conditions are not specified.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace the text with the following:  
"10PassTS PMI Upstream Payload Rate Profile, as specified in 802.3ah Annex 62A. This object is writable for the CO subtype PMIs (10PassTS-O). It is read-only for the CPE subtype (10PassTS-R).  
The SET operation sets a target for the PHY's Downstream Payload Bitrate as seen at the MII. If the payload rate of the selected profile cannot be achieved based on the loop environment, bandplan and PSD mask, the PHY shall drop the link.  
Changing Downstream Payload Rate Profile must be performed when the link is Down. Attempts to change this object MUST be rejected, if the link is Up or Initializing."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #452.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.22 P50 L 21 # 147  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

aBandplanPSDMaskProfile is described as 10P PHY parameter while it is a PMA/PMD (PMI) parameter.  
In addition -O vs. -R behavior as well as SET conditions are not specified.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace the text with the following:  
"10PassTS PMI Bandplan and PSD Mask profile, as specified in 802.3ah Annex 62A. This Read-Write object is writable for the CO subtype PMIs (10PassTS-O), setting the specified profile. It is read-only for the CPE subtype (10PassTS-R).

Changing PMI Bandplan and PSD MASK profile must be performed when the link is Down. Attempts to change this object MUST be rejected, if the link is Up or Initializing.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #452.

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Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.23 P50 L32 # 148  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

aUPBReferenceProfile is described as 10P PHY parameter while it is a PMA/PMD (PMI) parameter.  
In addition -O vs. -R behavior as well as SET conditions are not specified.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace the text with the following:  
"10PassTS PMI Bandplan and PSD Mask profile, as specified in 802.3ah Annex 62A. This Read-Write object is writable for the CO subtype PMIs (10PassTS-O), setting the specified profile. It is read-only for the CPE subtype (10PassTS-R).

Changing PMI Bandplan and PSD MASK profile must be performed when the link is Down. Attempts to change this object MUST be rejected, if the link is Up or Initializing.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #452.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.26 P51 L27 # 30  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status D

This actually applies to 30.5.1.1.26, 27, 29, & 30.

These string attributes seem to be the only place where we don't say read-only or read-write.

## SuggestedRemedy

Indicate whether these are read-only or read-write via C30.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.4 P46 L11 # 157  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Ready value is described (page 47, line 2) but not listed in enumeration. Also PMD link fault is described as a single PMA/PMD link fault, not applicable in case of PMI aggregation.

## SuggestedRemedy

- Add "ready" value in the enumeration with an appropriate description.
- Change description of PMD link fault as: "A link fault is detected at the receive direction by one or more PMA/PMDs in the aggregation group".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.4 P46 L39 # 394  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Missing two port types?

## SuggestedRemedy

'100BASE-TX, 100BASE-FX, 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10' ?

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.4 P47 L1 # 461  
Barrass, Hugh Cisco Systems

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Paragraph needs to be reformatted to make the separate mappings clear. Suggest that bullets are used.

## SuggestedRemedy

For 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS PHYs:

- . the enumeration "unknown" maps to the condition where the PHY is initializing.
- . the enumeration "ready" maps to the condition where at least one PMI is available and is ready for handshake.
- . the enumeration "available" maps to the condition where, at the PCS, at least one PMI is operationally linked.
- . the enumeration "not available" maps to the condition where the PCS is not operationally linked.

For 100BASE-LX, 100BASE-BX, 1000BASE-LX, 1000BASE-BX and 1000BASE-PX PHYs the enumerations map to the respective link integrity state diagrams.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.4 P47 L2 # 858  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

enumeration'ready' does not exist

## SuggestedRemedy

add 'ready' to enumeration list

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1.1.4**      **P 47**      **L 2**      # **857**  
Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

The text "the enumeration "ready" maps to" refers to an enumerated value which is not in the list.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Add enumeration "ready" to "APPROPRIATE SYNTAX: An ENUMERATED value list"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1.1.4**      **P 47**      **L 27**      # **859**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

jabber not defined for 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS

**SuggestedRemedy**  
1) add a foot note that remote jaber, as defined in 30.5.1.1.4, will not be supported for 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS,  
2) add a note, that aJabberCounter, defined in 30.5.1.1.6 will not be incremented for 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30**      **SC 30.5.1.1.4**      **P 47**      **L 6**      # **395**  
Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

Should 100M and 1G be in same sentence?

**SuggestedRemedy**  
remove '100BASE-LX, 100BASE-BX,?' Change '1000BASE-LX, 1000BASE-BX' to '1000BASE-LX, 1000BASE-LX10, 1000BASE-BX10'?

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30**      **SC Table 30-5**      **P 38**      **L 25**      # **855**  
Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

Clause 30 has no variable to match Clause 61 capable bits for port type indication of \_R and \_O. These bits need to be read by management. While these bits are in the Clause 45 PCS layer Table 45-72, they are expected to move the PMA layer as the bits have no usage in the PCS layer.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Add

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 30A**      **SC 30A.19.1**      **P 138**      **L 19**      # **95**  
John Messenger      ADVA Optical Networki

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

oamLoopbackControlTx has the value 256. This is the first example of an object with a field value > 255 which must fit into an 8-bit field (Variable Branch 57.6.1).

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Either change the values of leaf and branch to all be in the range 0..255 or change the size of the branch (and perhaps leaf) fields in tables 57-13 and 57-14 to be larger (16 bit).

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED REJECT.

The values of leaf need to be able to exceed 255 as the are in excess of 255 attributes.

**Cl 30B**      **SC 30B.2**      **P 145**      **L 18**      # **310**  
Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

Wasn't it in May that we decided to not use 'simu half duplex'?

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Use a silver bullet this time.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 31A SC Table 31A-1 P150 L 18 # 568  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Missing underscore

SuggestedRemedy  
Underscore the word "Annex" in the third column

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 31A SC Table 31A-3 P151 L 24 # 569  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Wrong & extra words

SuggestedRemedy  
For "start" row, replace "Time where GATE" with "Time when GATE"

For "length" row, remove the word "where"  
Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 43B SC 43B.4 P156 L 44 # 757  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
New text should be underlined.

SuggestedRemedy  
Underline "Operations, Administration and Maintenance (OAM)".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45 P67 L 10 # 560  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Incorrect editing instructions

SuggestedRemedy  
Replace with those at the head of Clause 30 or 22 to include the "REPLACE" instruction.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45 P68 L # 393  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
'EFM Cu' is an abbreviation which will not make much sense when EFM is folded into 802.3. Apparently it's used by clause 45 only.

SuggestedRemedy  
Search and replace all 'EFM Cu' with '10P/2B' then remove from abbreviations list.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Comment against clause 0 as well

Cl 45 SC 45 P68 L 1 # 807  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
While the port configuration is expected to be set via manual method (such as management variable, a fixed trace, or a jumper on a printed circuit board), if two ends of the link are both set to the same sub-type (both as \_R, or both as \_O) per 3.x.15 in table 45-72, then the handshake will fail but without any information back to the user as to why.

SuggestedRemedy  
To NPAR and SPAR, add ability to report the \_R and \_O setting of the link partner. Provide to clause 45 register and to clause 30 management access.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

If both sides are set to be the same sub-type, handshake will fail because you can't handshake with your own type. Thus, there is no way to communicate the remote setting of your partner if he is of your type.

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**Cl 45**      **SC 45**      **P 68**      **L 1**      **# 806**  
Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **D**      **c61**

Clause 45 has a number of misplace and/or missing register bits.  
1. Register 3.44 for status and control of port type \_R vs \_O is in the PCS layer. There is no use of these bits in the PCS layer. Nor is there any signal crossing the alpha-beta for \_R vs \_O port type. These bits belong in the PMA layer.  
2. When both ends of the link are configured to the same port type of \_R to \_R, or \_O to \_O, then the link will not come up but there is no way for the user to determine why.  
3. Some of the clause 45 registers are generic, and apply to all of the places where used. Examples are reset, loopback, OUI or device identifiers, etc. For those persons who did not participate in the 10G development of Clause 45, this requirement is easily missed. For example, it is not obvious that the PMA layer requires a loopback capability, and there is no text in Clause 61, 62 or 63 to support loopback

## SuggestedRemedy

1. Move register 3.44 for status and control of port type \_R vs \_O to the PMA layer
2. Add ability to transport local setting (\_R, \_O) of port type to link partner, and ability for local device to read or obtain the port type (\_R, \_O) of link partner.
3. Include table to show which registers are required.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

- 1) Accept
- 2) Reject, see 807
- 3) loopback sounds useful, get it in to Clause 61. Is loopback added by reference in Clauses 62 and 63?

**Cl 45**      **SC 45**      **P 68**      **L 1**      **# 805**  
Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **D**

Clause 61 for 10P/2B requires the use of a "coding violation" register. This register is called out in multiple places:  
P353 line 21, 24,24  
P354 lind8, 53  
P356 line 24  
  
Clause 45 is missing this register; an invalid reference is provided on p354 line 54.  
Clause 30 is missing this management variable.  
The 30.5.1.1.12 aPCSCodingViolation variable listed on p47 is used only for 100/1000 devices per comment #431 D2.1 p17.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add to Clause 45 a aPCSCodingViolation register.  
Add to Clause 30 a aPCSCodingViolation variable which is specific to 10P/2B hierarchy.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See resolution to comment 73 instead

**Cl 45**      **SC 45.1**      **P 68**      **L 11**      **# 396**  
Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
We've added FEC registers too.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add third item to list  
-- Implementations of 1000BASE-PX physical layer devices with FEC

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

- Implementations of 10, 100 or 1000Mb/s with additional management functions beyond those defined in Clause 22.

**Cl 45**      **SC 45.1**      **P 68**      **L 6**      **# 561**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**      **286**  
Wrong editing instruction

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "ADD" with "INSERT"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.1 P 68 L 6 # 286  
Gerhardt, Floyd Cisco Systems, Inc.

Comment Type E Comment Status D 544

Not sure if I understand the editing instructions, however the current editing instructions starting on line 6 say:  
Add a new paragraph after the third to read:  
This extension to the MDIO interface is applicable to the following:  
— Implementations that operate at speeds of 10 Gb/s and above  
— Implementations of 10PASS-TS and 2BASE-TL subscriber network Physical layer devices.

The first part of this new paragraph is redundant with the already existing third paragraph text in 802.3ae-2002.

## *SuggestedRemedy*

Change the editing instruction on line 6  
from  
Add a new paragraph after the third to read:  
to  
Change the third paragraph to read:

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

use the appropriate underlines and strikethroughs to indicate the affected text

Cl 45 SC 45.1 P 68 L 6 # 544  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D 286

Invalid editing instruction.

## *SuggestedRemedy*

From the redundant content, I think this is really a "Replace third paragraph with the following:".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2 P 65 L 14 # 46  
Scott Simon Cisco Systems, Inc.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The tone table and remote PMA/PMD MMDs are making poor use of the MMD space available. These MMDs can be collapsed into the original PMA/PMD MMD

## *SuggestedRemedy*

Move the Remote PMA/PMD MMD registers into the "reserved" register spaces after their counterparts in the PMA/PMD MMD. Modify and move the descriptive text at the beginning of the Remote PMA/PMD MMD subclause into the appropriate place of the PMA/PMD MMD.

Move the tone table and it's descriptive text to 1.56 through 1.64

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See 817 and 816

Cl 45 SC 45.2 P 68 L 26 # 562  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Fix wording and use proper MMD label

## *SuggestedRemedy*

Replace "as the tone table MMD" with "through the 10PASS-TS tone table MMD"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Wording will be removed anyway when we collapse the tone table MMD.

Cl 45 SC 45.2 P 68 L 34 # 749  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Avoid the use of italics and underlines in regular text.

## *SuggestedRemedy*

Remove underlines under "o" in office and "r" in remote. Remove italics from "61.1".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See 563

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**Cl 45 SC 45.2 P 68 L 34 # 563**  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
*Comment Type E Comment Status D*  
 A word and a question  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Replace "(the central office)" with "(the central office side)"  
 Is it okay to have underscores in the middle of this text? I've seen it in tables before but I'm concerned that the IEEE editors will see this as part of their editing instructions and remove it.  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 add word side  
 remove the underscores, capitalize the active letter instead.

**Cl 45 SC 45.2 P 68 L 36 # 750**  
 Booth, Brad Intel  
*Comment Type E Comment Status D*  
 New paragraph required.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Start new paragraph with "Some register behavior may...".  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 45 SC 45.2 P 68 L 38 # 751**  
 Booth, Brad Intel  
*Comment Type E Comment Status D*  
 Information in parentheses should be with the corresponding tables.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Move the "(denoted by ...)" information to the register descriptions that use it.  
 Same applies to the "with the tag MW = Multi-word". Move the text to the registers descriptions that use it.  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED REJECT.  
 Throught the editing of Clause 45, we've been trying to make as few repetitions in the register descriptions as possible.  
 Based on previous comments, this introductory text was added to 45.2 to explain the MW, R: and O: notations so that the extra text would be unnecessary in each register description.

**Cl 45 SC 45.2 P 68 L 44 # 906**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
*Comment Type E Comment Status D*  
 Insert a new paragraph after the third to read (comment #549/D1.732):  
 Reason for change can be removed  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 remove "(comment #549/D1.732)"  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 45 SC 45.2 P 68 L 44 # 545**  
 Grow, Robert Intel  
*Comment Type E Comment Status D*  
 Superflous editing information.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Remove the partnthetical comment reference from the instruction.  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 45 SC 45.2 P 68 L 54 # 752**  
 Booth, Brad Intel  
*Comment Type E Comment Status D*  
 Keep text with the table.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Fix.  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 45 SC 45.2 P70 L3 # 753  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

MMD's 6, 7 and 29 should have registers 5 and 6, so that reading registers 5 and 6 from any MMD would return the same set of information.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change to make registers 5 and 6 available across all MMDs. Move the starting point for the tone table registers to permit the use of registers 5 and 6.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

MMDs 6 and 7 are going away and are collapsed back into MMDs 1 and 3, so we can remove the text about 6&7 completely.

Add the registers 5 and 6 to the Clause 22 extension register. Renumbr the registers already in MMD #29 to begin at register #7. Reserve register numbers 0-4.

CI 45 SC 45.2 P70 L3 # 477  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type T Comment Status D 753

Vendor Specific MMD should not require implementation of registers 5 and 6 since MMDs 6, 7, and 29 are already given exceptions.

NOTE: Also delete the apostrophe in "MMD's" since it's neither a contraction nor possesive.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the first sentence to include MMDs 30 and 31 in the exception.

...(with the exception of MMDs #6, 7, 29, 30, and 31), ...

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

See 752 instead.

CI 45 SC 45.2 P70 L4 # 546  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Ambiguous antecedent, "this register" is ambiguous. Is it "these registers" or one of the two?

## SuggestedRemedy

Fix ambiguity and remove the commas from the first sentence of the paragraph.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Edit the first sentence as in comment 753.

Change to "these registers"

CI 45 SC 45.2 P70 L48 # 863  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

meaning of 'Clause 22 register present' not clear, if set to 0, clause 22 register not supported? 802.3-2002 and 802.3ah Clause 22.2.4 however require all devices with MII to provide basic register set

## SuggestedRemedy

add a note which resolves the concern (i.e. all clause 22 register not supported, also basic register set)

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Bit 0 only describes whether C22 is implemented in the same package as the MMDs associated with the other bits. It is not meant to indicate whether or not a PHY associated with an MII supports MDIO or not.

CI 45 SC 45.2 P70 L6 # 862  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

register address 5.13 not correct

## SuggestedRemedy

change 5.13 to 6.13

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2 P70 L7 # 808  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Typo in text "Bit 5.13"

SuggestedRemedy  
Text should be "Bit 6.13"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1 P71 L24 # 754  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Extraneous use of "reserved" registers.

SuggestedRemedy  
Condense the registers.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

These reserved registers will be filled with the Remote PMA/PMD MMD registers that are being collapsed into the PMA/PMD MMD.

Sneaky, eh?

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1 P76 L33 # 555  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Mixing control and status in a register is a bad idea. We have avoided that in the past. This register (and other registers like 1.22) are named control, but have a least one status bit.

SuggestedRemedy  
Separate the control and status bits into different registers for all new registers.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1 P79 L51 # 397  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Too many trivial tables from here on.

SuggestedRemedy  
Group some of them up into fewer tables. e.g. tables 45-13,14,15 could be combined, and 16-22 and so on.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

Historically, counters are not grouped into the same table. A waste of toner, but true.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1 P91 L54 # 883  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
2B line attenuation register missing

SuggestedRemedy  
add respective register or share register with 10PASS-TS (register 1.34)

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change 10P line attenuation register to 10P/2B. Move it down in the register listing.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.11 P74 L30 # 161  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
When link is forced down there's no way of telling the partner to shut up completely for some predefined time or immediately start with the handshake tones.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add a new value in PMA/PMD link control and link control status to allow to force complete silence for a period of time specified in yet another register.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Make PMA/PMD link control 2 bits wide and add value: "Force silent link down"

Add register: silence time in seconds (0-255) valid

does this work for 10PASS-TS as well as 2BASE-TL?

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**Cl 45**      **SC 45.2.1.11**      **P74**      **L 37**      **# 551**  
 Grow, Robert      Intel

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

Link status is determined by the state of the link, and link status can't be forced to "up" or "down". A control bit can enable/disable the link which in the absence of errors will result in the corresponding link status. Shouldn't use the same terms for a derived status and an indirect control of that status.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Change to 0=disabled, 1=enabled. Correct supporting paragraph. ("The STA may enable the . . .", and "The STA may disable the link by . . .".

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 45**      **SC 45.2.1.11**      **P74**      **L 37**      **# 865**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

meaning of link control bit not clear, register 1.0 (PMA/PMD control 1 register) provides at bit position 15 a reset bit, what is the correlation between these 2 bits

**SuggestedRemedy**

clarify meaning

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Reset is defined as a total clearing of the MMD to a default state.  
 Link down is a specific operation of the PMA/PMD.

Add text to 1.16.15 description: Upon a MMD reset, this bit shall be set to zero

**Cl 45**      **SC 45.2.1.11.2**      **P75**      **L 14**      **# 809**  
 Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

The convention in 802.3 for binary numbers is to show the LSB on the far left, and the MSB on the far right.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Show binary value in the normal 802.3 manner. Also line 19

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

The notation used in the paragraph agrees with that of the register bit definition.

**Cl 45**      **SC 45.2.1.12**      **P75**      **L 39**      **# 866**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

relation between link status and PMA/PMD status 1 register receive link status not clear

**SuggestedRemedy**

as long as link is down or initializing receive link status of PMA/PMD status 1 register has to be set to PMA/PMD receive link down

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Add suggested descriptive text to register bit 1.1.2 definition.

**Cl 45**      **SC 45.2.1.13**      **P71**      **L 31**      **# 811**  
 Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

Figure 61-2 clearly shows the aggregation layer is clearly and wholly within the PCS, and the PMA/PMD are merely a transport mechanism to carry the PCS bits. Thus the following clauses properly belong in the PCS layer.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Move following to PCS layer.

45.2.1.13 10P/2B aggregation discovery control register

45.2.1.14 10P/2B aggregation discovery code

45.2.1.15 10P/2B link partner PMI aggregate control register

45.2.1.16 10P/2B remote aggregate data

If in doubt, notice that these registers are used only by the PCS layer to support the NPAR and SPAR registers, and have no use in the PMA layer. If left in the PMA layer, then the signals will have to cross the alpha beta interface in order to get to the PCS layer and be added to table 61-9 with a note that the signals have no use in the PMA layer.

Simply because these registers have been in this layer in previous drafts is no reason to continue the error.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

The problem is really that we have no PMI MMD.

While the aggregation function exists wholly within the PCS, these functions are addressed on a per-PMA/PMD basis. Thus, the STA will use the PMA/PMD MMD to control the aggregation operation of each PMI that is attached (via the PCS PMI aggregate register)

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CI 45 SC 45.2.1.13.1 P76 L 41 # 140  
Kimpe, Marc Adtran

Comment Type T Comment Status D c61

The subclause states that the remote discovery register is not a clause 45 object but a variable of the PMI aggregation PCS function. This is also referenced in 61.2.2.8.3 (p. 339 line 16) & 61.a.2 (p. 560 line 28). However, I could not find any definition of the remote discovery register. I assume that it must contain, at a minimum, the information contained in table 61-129 to 61-136.

## SuggestedRemedy

Create and reference an exact definition of the remote discovery register (number of bits, name, description and R/W status) either in clause 45 or clause 61.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This comment should be against clause 61. I think we discussed this in the past, but for some reason no action was taken.

Clause 61 needs to define the remote\_discovery\_register completely and then only reference clause 45 in respect to an access mechanism.

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.13.1 P76 L 50 # 812  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Text "should" is not strong enough and is not proper within a standard.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "should" with "shall".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.13.1 P77 L 10 # 556  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The operation of these bits is not consistent with that previously used in 802.3. Control bits also be status bits is not a common function. STA if writing a valid value to a control register should be able to read that register and always get back the value written unless the device/MMD has been reset.

## SuggestedRemedy

Redefine and separate the control and status functions of the bits and all similarly confusing bits.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.14 P77 L 35 # 907  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

"10P/2B aggregation discovery code register" is available per PMA, not per PCS. The same applies to page 78, line 8 (10P/2B link partner PMI aggregate control) and page 79, line 21 (? aggregate data)

## SuggestedRemedy

use wording from page 76, line 13 (10P/2B aggregation discovery control): "shall be implemented as a unique register for each PMA MMD in a package"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Also change example:

"For example, a package implementing four EFM Cu PMA/PMDs would have four independent instances. . ."

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.15.1 P78 L 34 # 163  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

It says that Remote PMI\_Aggregate\_register is accessed via G.HS messages (which is good since it allows to add a new pair to an existing aggregated link via a G.HS message over that pair). However it also says that the operation "must be performed only when the link status is down (i.e., neither Initializing nor Up)". I read the "link" here as the aggregated link and not the pair, so this is bad, since it precludes dynamic aggregation modifications.

## SuggestedRemedy

If my understanding of this paragraph is correct I would suggest the following change, to allow addition and removal of pairs to an already operating link:

"The write operation to the Remote PMI\_Aggregate\_register can be performed independently of the aggregated link status, provided that at least one PMA/PMD in aggregation group in -O is Ready for Handshake."

Note also that if a pair is already assigned to the aggregation group in both -O and -R PCS than it's addition/removal is done by PMA/PMD link control register (see Table 45-5) which can set the pair down or initiate it..

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.15.1 P78 L 46 # 908  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Old register name. Changed from "10P/2B remote aggregate data" to "10P/2B link partner PMI aggregate data". The same applies to page 78 line 51 and page 79 lines 12, 14, 26, 29, 33, 35.

SuggestedRemedy

change register name

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.18 P80 L 7 # 867  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

wrong cross ref for 2BASE-TL

SuggestedRemedy

update cross ref to 63.2.2.3

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.19 P80 L 26 # 478  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Based on the definition of the "Multi-Word" registers, (45.2, pg. 68, line 49), all registers labeled "MW" are cleared to zero upon read of the most significant 16 bits.

The register description should note that the bits are reset to all zeroes upon read (as well as upon MMD reset).

SuggestedRemedy

Add "and upon read" after "execution of the MMD reset".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.2.1 P73 L 33 # 547  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

It is not clear in what context the added sentence applies.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to read: "For 10PASS-TS or 2BASE-TL operations, when read as one, a fault has been detected and more detailed . . ."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.20 P80 L 44 # 479  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Based on the definition of the "Multi-Word" registers, (45.2, pg. 68, line 49), all registers labeled "MW" are cleared to zero upon read of the most significant 16 bits.

The register description should note that the bits are reset to all zeroes upon read (as well as upon MMD reset).

SuggestedRemedy

Add "and upon read" after "execution of the MMD reset".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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*Cl* **45**      *SC* **45.2.1.3**      *P***73**      *L* **40**      # **548**  
 Grow, Robert      Intel

*Comment Type*    **TR**      *Comment Status*    **D**

This paragraph in its current form is likely to generate interpretations requests. The section is about two registers yet it uses the phrase "this register", etc. If these registers are part of the Link Partner MMD, it can only have one value as well as bit definition and the paragraph is not needed, it can simply be referenced. If the Link Partner MMD can have a different value (e.g., the link partner's PMD/PMD device identifier), then it isn't the same registers but two different registers that have the same format.

## *SuggestedRemedy*

Delete the added paragraph, and correct by adding a description of the registers in 45.7. Reference 1.2, 1.3 definitions for format rather than replicating.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change text to read "these registers"

Change text  
 "this register is a member of the Link Partner PMA/PMD MMD."

to read

"Therefore, the Link Partner PMA/PMD MMD also contains PMA/PMD device identifier registers with the same format described here."

*Cl* **45**      *SC* **45.2.1.3**      *P***73**      *L* **42**      # **864**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**      548

"Therefore, this register is a member ?" One could think that register is member of LINK partner register only

## *SuggestedRemedy*

modify the sentence in the following way: "Therefore, this register is also?"

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See 548

*Cl* **45**      *SC* **45.2.1.35**      *P***88**      *L*      # **458**  
 Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

*Comment Type*    **TR**      *Comment Status*    **D**      58

The register should allow a range of data values rather than just a fixed rate.

## *SuggestedRemedy*

Replace the Data rate with 3 fields: min rate, max rate, step (reference handshake section for what the ranges can mean).

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

discuss alongside 158, 868, 139

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.35 P88 L 14 # 158  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D c30

Currently defined 2B Data Rate register allows one to specify only fixed data rate administrative values. Current operating data rate of a particular PMD is unknown, especially if the Data Rate register is overwritten since last activation. In addition no meanings are given if one desires to use line probing.

#### Suggested Remedy

- Add 11 bit long "Data Rate" field in 45.2.1.11 "10P/2B PMA/PMD status register", showing current Data Rate of an operating (Up) PMA/PMD link (multiple of 64Kbps). When the link is down or initializing the value of this field shall be 0.

- Make aPmdProfileSelect variable in Clause 30 to be a list of integers, in order to allow a management station to choose a number of profiles

- Replace 45.2.1.35 with the following text:

45.2.1.35 2B PMD parameters register (Register 1.x, 1.x+1)

The 2B PMD parameters register sets the transmission parameters for an individual 2BaseTL PMA/PMD link. When the link is reset or initialized (using PMA/PMD link control register in -O side), these parameters are used by the peer PMA/PMDs in an attempt to achieve specified settings.

The register allows one to specify a single fixed Data Rate or up to two Data Rate Ranges at the -O PMA/PMD.

If at least one Data Range is specified with different Min and Max Data Rates, the peer PMA/PMDs perform line probing (PMMS), at the end of which the link is trained with the highest possible rate indicated by the line probing.

In the case of a single fixed Rate specified (Min Data Rate1 == Max Data Rate1, Data Rate Step1/2 = Min/Max Data Rate2 = 0), the line probing is not performed and link is trained at the specified Rate.

Since writing to this register does not have an immediate effect, reading this register returns the desired parameters, which are not necessarily the current operating parameters.

For more information on how these parameters are passed across the physical link using G.994.1 signaling, see 61.3.8.7.4 and 61.3.8.7.5.

The bit definitions for the 2B PMD parameters register are found in Table 45-29.

Table 45-29- 2B PMD parameters register bit definition

Bit(s)	Name	Description	R/W
1.x.31:29	Reserved	value always 0, writes ignored	R/W
1.x.28:22	Min Data Rate1	Min Data Rate of the 1st Range	
N=3..89:		multiple of 64kbps	
Data Rate	=64xN kbps	O: R/W	
R:	N/A		
1.x.21:15	Max Data Rate1	Max Data Rate of the 1st Range	

N=3..89: multiple of 64kbps  
Data Rate =64xN kbps O: R/W  
R: N/A

1.x.14:8 Data Rate Step1 Data Rate Step of the 1st Range  
N=1..86: multiple of 64kbps O: R/W

R: N/A

1.x.7:2 Power1 Signal Power of the 1st Range

x:multiple of 0.5 dBm to add to 5 dBm offset

Power = (5 + 0.5x ) dBm O: R/W

R: RO

1.x.1:0 Constellation1 Constellation for the 1st Range

00 = Automatic (16-TCPAM for rates below 48, 32-TCPAM for rate 48 and above)

01 = 32-TCPAM.

10 = 16-TCPAM

11 = reserved O: R/W

R: RO

1.x+1.31:29 Reserved value always 0, writes ignored R/W

1.x+1.28:22 Min Data Rate2 Min Data Rate of the 2nd Range

N=3..89: multiple of 64kbps

Data Rate =64xN kbps O: R/W

R: N/A

1.x+1.21:15 Max Data Rate2 Max Data Rate of the 2nd Range

N=3..89: multiple of 64kbps

Data Rate =64xN kbps O: R/W

R: N/A

1.x+1.14:8 Data Rate Step2 Data Rate Step of the 2nd Range

N=1..86: multiple of 64kbps O: R/W

R: N/A

1.x+1.7:2 Power2 Signal Power of the 1st Range

x:multiple of 0.5 dBm to add to 5 dBm offset

Power = (5 + 0.5x ) dBm O: R/W

R: RO

1.x+1.1:0 Constellation2 Constellation for the 2nd Range

00 = Automatic (16-TCPAM for rates below 48, 32-TCPAM for rate 48 and above)

01 = 32-TCPAM.

10 = 16-TCPAM

11 = reserved O: R/W

R: RO

#### Examples:

1. To allow the PMD to pick the highest possible rate regardless of profile:

- MinRate1=3, MaxRate1=89, Step1=1, Power1=0, Constellation1=0  
MinRate2=MaxRate2=Step2=Power2=Constellation1=0

2. To do a specific profile:

- e.g. profile1:  
Region=AnnexA,  
MinRate1=MaxRate1=48, Step1=0, Power1=17, Constellation1=32-TCPAM,  
MinRate2=MaxRate2=Step2=Power2=Constellation2=0.

3. To do a number of profiles:

- e.g. profile1-5:  
Region=AnnexA,

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MinRate1=8, MaxRate1=11, Step1=3, Power1=17, Constellation1=0 # 512, 712 Kbps  
MinRate2=16, MaxRate2=48, Step2=16, Power2=17, Constellation2=0 # 1024, 2048,  
3072 Kbps  
- profile6-8:  
Region=AnnexB,  
MinRate1=32, MaxRate1=48, Step1=16, Power1=19, Constellation1=0 # 2048,  
3072Kbps  
MinRate2=16, MaxRate2=16, Step2=0, Power2=17, Constellation2=0 # 1024Kbps

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*   **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

discuss alongside 158, 868, 139

perform as requested, except that the "data rate" field in the first bullet is created instead in a new 10P/2B Data Rate register.

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g.991.2 does not provide a mechanism to set these parameter for the link partner device

*SuggestedRemedy*  
the only way the desired behaviour can be achieved is limiting the capability list of the -O device, remove 2B PMD register out of the Link Partner MMD

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*   **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

discuss alongside 158, 868, 139

<b>CI 45</b>	<b>SC 45.2.1.35</b>	<b>P 88</b>	<b>L 33</b>	<b># 139</b>
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Kimpe, Marc      Adtran

*Comment Type*      **T**      *Comment Status*   **D**

The current wording of 45.2.1.35 states that "The 2B PMD parameters registers set the transmission parameters for the PMD. When the link is initialized or reset, these parameters shall be used by the PHY transmitter". A 2-BASE-TL will rarely know a priori on which length and loop configuration it is operating, hence there is no way to know which data rate a given loop will support.

We propose to add extra bits to the PMD register that will allow a provider to select a priori one or more allowed profiles to run or to allow the PMD to pick the higher rate regardless of profile. If one or more profiles are selected, then the PHY is only allowed to come out in the profile with the highest data rate allowed by the loop otherwise the PHY will come out in the highest data rate that the loop will allow.

*SuggestedRemedy*  
Extend the 2B PMD parameter register by 6 bits.  
bit 1: a value of 1 means that the 2BASE-TL PHY picks the highest rate that the loop supports and overrides any profiles specified in bits 2 to 6. A value of 0 means that the 2 BASE-TL PHY is only allowed to come in data mode under one of the profile selected by bits 2 to 6. If multiple profiles are allowed, the PHY will come up with the profile allowing the highest data rate over the loop the PHY is connected to.  
bit 2: a value of 1 means that profile 1 (annex A) or 6 (annex B) is allowed  
bit 3: a value of 1 means that profile 2 (annex A) or 7 (annex B) is allowed  
bit 4: a value of 1 means that profile 3 (annex A) or 8 (annex B) is allowed  
bit 5: a value of 1 means that profile 4 (annex A) or 9 (annex B) is allowed  
bit 6: a value of 1 means that profile 5 (annex A) or 10 (annex B) is allowed

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*   **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

discuss alongside 158, 868, 139

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Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

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wrong cross ref

*SuggestedRemedy*  
update cross ref to 63.2.2.3

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*   **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.36 P 89 L 8 # 870  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

no reason that the 2B line quality threshold register does not exist on the -R side

## SuggestedRemedy

2B Line quality threshold register is RO for the -R side

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.37 P 89 L 25 # 480  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Based on the definition of the "Multi-Word" registers, (45.2, pg. 68, line 49), all registers labeled "MW" are cleared to zero upon read of the most significant 16 bits.

The register description should note that the bits are reset to all zeroes upon read (as well as upon MMD reset).

## SuggestedRemedy

Add "and upon read" after "execution of the MMD reset".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.37 P 89 L 25 # 871  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

wrong cross ref

## SuggestedRemedy

update cross ref to 63.2.2.3

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.37 P 89 L 27 # 872  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

code violations of the link partner device will be read using an EOC message, within this message only 2 bytes for code violations, reasons for doubling the size to 4 byte not clear

## SuggestedRemedy

adjust the size of the 2B code violation register to 16 bit

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.37 P 89 L 36 # 873  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Code violation counter is roll over counter, all other 2B performance counter (2B errored second, 2B SES, 2B LOSW, 2B AUS) are non roll over counter

## SuggestedRemedy

change 2B code violation counter to non roll over

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.38 P 89 L 46 # 874  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

wrong cross ref

## SuggestedRemedy

update cross ref to 63.2.2.3

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.38 P 89 L 50 # 875  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

errored second of the link partner device will be read using an EOC message, within this message only 1 bytes for errored seconds, reasons for doubling the size to 2 byte not clear

## SuggestedRemedy

adjust the size of the 2B errored seconds register to 8 bit

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.39 P90 L 12 # 878  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 wrong cross ref  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 update cross ref to 63.2.2.3  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.39 P90 L 17 # 876  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 severely errored second of the link partner device will be read using an EOC message, within this message only 1 bytes for errored seconds, reasons for doubling the size to 2 byte not clear  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 adjust the size of the 2B severely errored seconds register to 8 bit  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.4 P73 L 51 # 755  
 Booth, Brad Intel  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Table 45-6 should be made to fit on one page.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Make the following tables fit on one page: 45-6, 45-22, 45-33, 45-81, 45-84, 45-102, and 45-103.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P90 L 36 # 879  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 wrong cross ref  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 update cross ref to 63.2.2.3  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P90 L 41 # 877  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 LOSW of the link partner device will be read using an EOC message, within this message only 1 bytes for LOSW, reasons for doubling the size to 2 byte not clear  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 adjust the size of the 2B LOSW register to 8 bit  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.41 P91 L 3 # 880  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 wrong cross ref  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 update cross ref to 63.2.2.3  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.41 P91 L 8 # 882  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 UAS of the link partner device will be read using an EOC message, within this message only 1 bytes for UAS reasons for doubling the size to 2 byte not clear  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 adjust the size of the 2B UAS register to 8 bit  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.42 P91 L 28 # 881  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 wrong cross ref  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 update cross ref to 63.2.2.3  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.5 P74 L 20 # 549**  
Grow, Robert Intel  
**Comment Type E Comment Status D**  
Bad grammar.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
Return the text to that of the current standard first paragraph and correct the table reference.  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Change text to read: "The PMA/PMD devices in package registers are defined in Table 45-2"  
also 45.2.2.5, 45.2.3.5, 45.2.4.5, 45.2.5.5

**Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.5 P74 L 24 # 550**  
Grow, Robert Intel  
**Comment Type E Comment Status D**  
The editing instruction is incorrect. With the addition of a new Table 45-2, deletion of Table 45-6 leaves Tables 45-7 and higher of the approved standard correctly numbered.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
Delete editing instruction. Increment the table numbers of the following inserted tables (Table 45-10 of the current standard is correctly numbered after the insertion and deletion.)  
It would also be appropriate to change the editing instruction of page 70 line 10 to "Insert the following table after Table 45-1 and renumber subsequent tables as required:". With that change subsequent instructions (e.g., page 71, line 3) would be changed to read: "Replace the next to last row of Table 45-2 (renumbered to Table 45-3) with the following:", delete the instruction on page 73 line 31, etc.  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Doh! I thought I got it all right the first time.  
Seek permission from the IEEE editors to relabel tables in Clause 45 based on their MMD or subclause number.

**Cl 45 SC 45.2.3 P92 L 42 # 909**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
**Comment Type T Comment Status D** 73  
Register "coding violation" for counting TC\_coding\_errors (defined in 61.2.3.4) is gone.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
Re-insert the register before register 3.44 and re-insert the corresponding paragraph (45.2.3.17 in D2.1). Adapt cross references accordingly (page 99 line 42, page 354 line 54, page 356 line 25).  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
See 73

**Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.1 P93 L 24 # 884**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
**Comment Type E Comment Status D**  
description of reset not correct (PMA/PMD reset instead of PCS reset)  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
modify PMA/PMD reset to PCS reset  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
**Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.1 P93 L 24 # 885**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
**Comment Type E Comment Status D**  
PCS control 1 register of 802.3ae has a PCS llopback bit on bit position 14 which is not shown in table 45-59  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
add loopback bit at bit position 14 or add a note that for 802.3ah PCS loopback will not be supported  
**Proposed Response Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Change bit 14 to be loopback as in 802.3ae.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.17 P95 L1 # 73  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Subclauses 45.2.3.2.1, 45.2.3.26, 61.2.3.3.1, 61.2.3.3.8 and 61.2.3.4 all point to 45.2.3.17 for a definition and description of the "Coding violation counter register". This register is nowhere to be found.  
(It was in fact removed in resolution of comment #451/D2.1, in the assumption that it wasn't being used by the Copper PCS.)

## SuggestedRemedy

Create a new "TC encapsulation error counter register" (32-bit counter), similar in function to the "Coding violation counter register" in IEEE Draft P802.3ah/D2.1. In its description, specify that it counts 64/65-octet encapsulation errors in 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS PHYs. Update the references and register names in 45.2.3.2.1, 45.2.3.26, 61.2.3.3.1, 61.2.3.3.8 and 61.2.3.4 accordingly.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.17.4 P95 L48 # 911  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

wrong bit name, "PAF available" instead of "available".

## SuggestedRemedy

change to "PAF available".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.18 P96 L12 # 159  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

How do two -O ports, connected to each other resolve which one is going to be -R? Can they even exchange G.HS messages? Currently no mechanism defined.

## SuggestedRemedy

Make sure G.HS supports -O vs. -O handshake exchange.  
Add "Remote CO supported", "Remote CPE Supported" "Remote port sub-type select" registers in Table 45-204. Specify exact HS message format and exchange sequence (Both start with C-SILENCE tones? ). Should we do Auto-negotiation? This stuff should probably be done before Discovery, as discovery would try to set-if-clear on the link partner which is a CO etc.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Discuss in STF

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.18.1 P96 L31 # 813  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Incomplete.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add text that a write to a not supported mode is ignored.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.19 P96 L48 # 466  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

A PMI is only marked unavailable if it is currently marked to be aggregated to another PMD.

61.2.2.8.3 (pg. 338, line 42) states that "For a device that does not support aggregation of multiple PMIs, a single bit of this register shall be set and all other bits clear."

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the sentence starting on line 48 to:

A PMI is marked as unavailable if the PMI is currently marked to be aggregated with another PMD.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

Are we sure that PMIs that don't support aggregation (or don't exist!) are marked as available?

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.2.2 P94 L21 # 910  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

PCS receive link status bit: This paragraph doesn't reflect the situation of an aggregated link, as it maps only one TC\_synchronized signal to this bit. In in aggregated link, there are several TC\_synchronized signals.

## SuggestedRemedy

Define the PCS receive link status bit as logical OR of all TC\_synchronized signals.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 45 SC 45.2.3.2.2 P94 L 21 # 72  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Some instances of the old names "10PASS-T" and "2BASE-T" remain.

SuggestedRemedy  
Replace with "10PASS-TS" and "2BASE-TL" as appropriate. (Also in Table 45-61.)

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.3.20 P97 L 36 # 467  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
If PAF is disabled (i.e. the PAF Avaliable bit is cleared), writes to set PMI Aggregate bits must be ignored. The second sentence of the sub-clause says that attempts to activate aggregation with an unavailable PMI are ignored, so delete the sentence that says that "No PMI Aggregate bits need be set if the PAF is disabled".

SuggestedRemedy  
Delete the sentence in line 36.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.3.21 P98 L 1 # 815  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
Incomplete. In its present location and text, the receive error counter is specific to link aggregation.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add text to state that the counter exists even when the PAF is not implemented, or implemented but not enabled.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.3.29 P100 L 45 # 886  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
not clear whether counter counts TPS CRC errors of all aggregated links or just of 1 link

SuggestedRemedy  
add a not that counter counts TPS-CRC errors of all aggregated links

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add to the text that the TPS-CRC errors are from all aggregated PMIs attached to the TPC-TC

CI 45 SC 45.2.3.30 P101 L 8 # 887  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
for the complete picture TC state of all links belonging to a PMI aggregate group is necessary

SuggestedRemedy  
modify register definition so that a local TC register with 32 bit exists and a remote TC register with 32 bit exist

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Make the register 64 bits long. 32 bits indicate the outgoing signal on each possible attached PMI, 32 bits indicate the incoming.

Add text that if the PMI is not enabled as part of the aggregation group (or does not exist), the bit will be read as a zero.

CI 45 SC 45.2.3.8 P110 L 15 # 567  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Missing word

SuggestedRemedy  
Replace "or upon PHY" with "or upon PHY reset"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 45	SC 45.2.6	P 103	L 1	# 816
Tom Mathey		Independent		
Comment Type	T	Comment Status	D	
Refer to comment #454 D2.1.				
The tone table size is excessive. The size can be reduced by use of indirect addresses. Assign a register to hold the index of the desired tone. Three registers can then hold the tone parameters. This reduces the table size from 12,290 to 4. With this reduced size, the tone table can then be moved into the 1.x PMA register set and a MMD address can be reclaimed				
However, do not get clever with read inc in any attempt to reload a tone table with next index and set of values when the last tone register is read as this would special case the increment logic (and punish the general case logic for read increment for the one special and unique case of the tone table).				
SuggestedRemedy				
Reduce tone table size by use of indirect address. Then move tone table into 1.x PMA register set.				
Do not get clever.				
Proposed Response		Response Status W		
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				
The urge for cleverness is strong, but not overwhelming.				

Cl 45	SC 45.2.7	P 104	L 25	# 817
Tom Mathey	Independent			
Comment Type	T	Comment Status	D	
Move link partner registers into main body of pma				
SuggestedRemedy				
Move link partner registers into main body of pma. Make link partner address be a simple offset of local device addresses, such as by 32 to aid debug, implementations, etc.				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
The link partner registers can be moved into the "reserved" registers already allocated in the 10P/2B block.				

Cl 45	SC 45.2.7	P 105	L 36	# 912
Schneiderheinze, Burkart		Infineon		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
wrong register adress				
SuggestedRemedy				
Change from 71.67 to 7.67				
Proposed Response		Response Status	W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

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Cl 45	SC 45.2.7	P 105	L 53	# 913
Schneiderheinze, Burkart		Infineon		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
wrong register addresses				
SuggestedRemedy				
change 7.28 to 7.29, change 1.27 to 1.28 twice				
Proposed Response		Response Status	W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

Cl 45	SC 45.2.7.2	P 107	L 19	# 914
Schneiderheinze, Burkart		Infineon		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
wrong numbering of chapters				
SuggestedRemedy				
change 45.2.7.2 to 45.2.7.1.2., change 45.2.7.2.1. to 45.2.7.1.3., remove 45.2.7.3. at beginning of line 30, change 45.2.7.4. to 45.2.7.2.				
Proposed Response		Response Status	W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				
Cl 45	SC 45.2.7.2	P 107	L 21	# 915
Schneiderheinze, Burkart		Infineon		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
According to Table 45-101, only two registers (2B PMD parameters, 2B line quality thresholds) can be written at all from -O side. Therefore a more concrete and less general description of send operation would be appropriate.				
SuggestedRemedy				
make paragraph more concrete, focussed on the two registers.				
Proposed Response		Response Status	W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
Mention these registers specifically in the text describing the send command.				

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**Cl 45**      **SC 45.2.7.2.1**      **P107**      **L 28**      **# 888**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**  
 for 2BASE-TL there is no mechanism described in g.991.2 for the activate command

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 add a foot note that activate command is not supportd by 2BASE-TL and all settings will become valid with sending command, alternatively remove activate command because it is not needed by 10PASS-TS

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

remote the activate bit and mark it reserved.

**Cl 45**      **SC 45.2.8.1**      **P109**      **L 36**      **# 441**  
 Law, David      3Com

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**  
 The FEC counters defined in subclauses 45.2.8.1, 45.2.8.2 and 45.2.8.3 should be expanded to support the 10BASE-TS PHY FEC function as well. This is to provide support for related management counters.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add text to subclauses 45.2.8.1, 45.2.8.2 and 45.2.8.3 to include support for the 10BASE-TS PHY FEC function.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

10BASE-TS FEC is part of a the PMA/PMD sublayer and the counters already exist in 45.2.1.19 and 45.2.1.20.

They could be combined, but since the clause 22 extension is for "legacy" PHYs and the rest of the 10PASS-TS PMA/PMD registers are already in MMD #1, why not keep them separate for simplicity.

**Cl 45**      **SC 45.5**      **P111**      **L 9**      **# 756**  
 Booth, Brad      Intel

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 Table headings are not used in PICS.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Remove table headings.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 45**      **SC Table 45-11**      **P75**      **L 45**      **# 810**  
 Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**  
 Text at bottom of table has LH for Latches High, but there is no bit referenced.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Suspect that you want the link is UP to be a latching low.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Remove latching footnote.

**Cl 45**      **SC Table 45-2**      **P70**      **L 14**      **# 564**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 If this table is "INSERT"ed, why are their underscores?

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Determine if this is a new table (and remove the underscores) or if the editing instruction should actually be "CHANGE"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Underscores should be removed

**Cl 45**      **SC Table 45-3**      **P71**      **L 11**      **# 565**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 Incomplete table

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 The proper use of this "CHANGE" instruction is to duplicate the entire table that is being changed. Include the original 16 rows and show strikethroughs and underscores for changed/additional rows.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC Table 45-74 P97 L 18 # 814  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The figures in Clause 61 all show the numbered indexes as 0..31, which also matches Clause 30. Clause 45 has 1..32.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change index from 1..32 to 0..31  
Also table 45-75

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-4 P73 L 22 # 566  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Wrong footnote

## SuggestedRemedy

Only the R/W description is necessary in this footnote.

Tables 45-10 & 45-11 have similar (but not identical) issues.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56 P160 L 22 # 365  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D check

This draft proposes to modify 10G Ethernet but doesn't mention it in the introduction. I'm worried that this proposed change has not had adequate visibility, review or consensus in the 10G community.

## SuggestedRemedy

Either: admit what we are doing, e.g. by inserting a new subclause:

'56.1.3 Unidirectional transmission

In contrast to previous editions of 802.3, in certain circumstances a DTE is allowed to transmit frames while not receiving a satisfactory signal. It is necessary for an 1000BASE-PX-D OLT to do this to bring a PON into operation (although it is highly inadvisable for a 1000BASE-PX-U to transmit without receiving). It is allowed as an option for 100BASE-X, 1000BASE-X and 10GBASE so that a partly operational DTE may report its status through OAM frames. See Clause 66.'. Add to table 56-2, a row for 10GBASE and a column for 66 10G RS, intersection cell 'O' (see another comment for how to fold this extremely helpful table up so that it still fits the page); or:  
Don't modify 10G Ethernet, and delete 66.3.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will add text to mention 10G based on the commenters suggestion

Cl 56 SC 56 P160 L 22 # 366  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

This draft proposes to allow unidirectional transmission - a radical change from current 802.3 - but doesn't mention it in the introduction.

## SuggestedRemedy

Either: admit what we are doing, e.g. by using my proposed remedy about modifying 10GE, with modifications as necessary,  
or

Or: don't modify Ethernet to allow unidirectional transmission, except for 1000BASE-PX-D, delete 66.1 and 66.3, and simplify 66.2.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See 365

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Cl 56 SC 56.1 P158 L12 # 758  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

I really, really, really dislike the inference of a "standards gap". How can there be a standards gap when the standard was not previous written for the access market. 100BASE-FX was written for the LAN market.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the text to read: 100BASE-LX10 extends the reach of 100BASE-X to achieve 10 kms over conventional single mode two-fiber cabling.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1 P158 L16 # 761  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Font size too large in Figure 56-1.

SuggestedRemedy

Reduce font size.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1 P158 L17 # 760  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Figures 56-1 and 56-2 should be showing the relationship of the EFM layers to the LAN model and the OSI reference model.

SuggestedRemedy

2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS can be merged in 56-1.

In 56-2, remove one stack and remove brackets showing OLT and ONU(s). That information belongs in the P2MP clause. The name of the medium should just be "MEDIUM". The MEDIUM should be shown as a shared medium, jagged edge on both ends. Port types should be listed under the MEDIUM.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The commenteriscorrectthat theP2MPdiagramappears in subsequent clauses. However,since this is a new shared it warrants its own topology in the introduction (asit is different from the point-to-point).

Will adjust the jagged edges

Cl 56 SC 56.1 P158 L32 # 951  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type T Comment Status D

We should not invent new names for things which already have perfectly good names.

SuggestedRemedy

"4B/5B PCS" should read "100BASE-X PCS" and "8B/10B PCS" should read "1000BASE-X PCS".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Will fix. Not sure how these new names crept in.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.1 P159 L37 # 573  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Wrong reference

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "Clause 24 and Clause 36" with "66.1 and 66.2"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.1 P159 L41 # 340  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

I cannot discern from this clause, or 61, where the reconciliation sublayer comes from. In particular, the reader may be looking for a 2 Mb/s RS for 2BASE-TL but I couldn't find one anywhere.

SuggestedRemedy

At the end of this paragraph, add another sentence, something like: 'EFM electrical {links|connections} use the reconciliation sublayer of clause 22 operating at {10|100} Mb/s.' If 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS would use the RS configured for 10 and 100 Mb/s respectively, say so. See another comment on placement of 56.1.2.2.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 56 SC 56.1.2.2 P160 L15 # 336  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

56.1.2.2 is out of place: it's about 100BASE-X/1000BASE-X RS (mainly p2p) but it falls inside '56.1.2 Summary of P2MP sublayers'. See another comment about missing equivalent information for 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS.

## SuggestedRemedy

Move it to become a paragraph at/near the end of 56.1.1. Could extend the first sentence: something like:

'The Clause 22 RS and MII, and Clause 35 RS and GMII, are both employed for the same purpose in EFM, that being the interconnection between the MAC sublayer and the 100BASE-X PHY sublayers, and the MAC and the 1000BASE-X PHY, respectively.'  
Promote the present 56.1.2.2.1 to 56.1.2.2.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The idea is to introduce the reader to the extensions of these sublayers for P2MP. So it is appropriate to be under that heading of P2MP.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.2.2.1 P160 L15 # 572  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Hanging sublayer

## SuggestedRemedy

There shouldn't be a 56.1.2.2.1 without a 56.1.2.2.2. Remove this heading and make it part of 56.1.2.2

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.2.2.1 P160 L15 # 507  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Single subclause is not good structure.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove subclause heading, and make second sentence of 56.1.1.2 part of the paragraph of 56.1.2.2.1.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P160 L25 # 574  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Extra underscore

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the underscore between "100BASE-LX" and the open parenthesis

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P160 L30 # 762  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

1000BASE-LX10 should be on one line.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change hyphen to non-breaking hyphen.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P160 L34 # 763  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

multi-mode should be multimode.

## SuggestedRemedy

fix

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P160 L35 # 764  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing period at the end of the second paragraph.

## SuggestedRemedy

Fix.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P162 L17 # 508  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Table 56-2, the optional indications under clause 66 are wrong as the PCS is mandatory and as are the unidirectional changes of clause 66 (66.4.4.1, 66.4.4.2).

## SuggestedRemedy

Change "100" column of Clause 66 to M for 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10.  
Change "1G" column of Clause 66 to M for 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-BX10.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will check and fix

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P162 L2 # 342  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Nice table but I don't think there should be a 'shall' in an introduction clause with no PICS.  
Doesn't the implementer declare compliance clause by clause? Also, sentence might be better in the singular.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change to:  
A complete implementation conforming to one or more nomenclatures meets the requirements of the corresponding clauses.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P162 L22 # 510  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Table 56-2. There is no specification of a mandatory PCS for P2MP in this table as there should be. There is significant inconsistency on specifications of the 1000BASE-X PCS in the document. Subclause 66.2.2 and its subclauses indicate what is mandatory for any subscriber access network using 1000BASE-X PCS (including unidirectional transmission). The 1000BASE-X PCS is mandatory for all 1000BASE-PX PMDs but unidirectional transmission is only for 1000BASE-PX-D PMDs.

## SuggestedRemedy

The column either needs to be split (with appropriate M and O), or M needs to be defined as at least some mandatory capabilities (and the two PX rows labled M).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will fix using the method that looks editorially better

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P162 L25 # 765  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

One footnote is all that should be required. Footnote should be left justified.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change footnote to read: O = Optional, M = Mandatory. Left justify the footnote.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.3 P163 L4 # 766  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Remove the word "Clause".

## SuggestedRemedy

Change to read "(see 21.6)."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.4 P163 L7 # 429  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status D check

While this standard is related to subscriber access networks it is really correct that none of the new PHYs support ISO/IEC 11801 media. If this is correct then fine, but if this is not correct as I believe suggested entries for Table G1 and G.5 of ISO/IEC 11801 should be provided in this subclause.

## SuggestedRemedy

Provide entries for Tables G1 and G.5 of ISO/IEC 11801 for EFM PHYs as appropriate. I believe entries should be provided for 100BASE-LX10, 100BASE-BX, 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-BX.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 56 SC 56.4 P163 L 8 # 428  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status D

I'm not too sure what the point of this text is. Normally this particular subclause is included to provide suggested additions to ISO/IEC 11801 - for examples of this see 21.7 and 34.4. In both these cases (100Mb/s and 1000MB/s) other standards were referenced to build PHYs but these were not included in 21.7 and 34.4 which only related to ISO/IEC 11801. In addition it would seem odd if subclause 61.1.2 (not Clause as the text currently states) was the only place in the whole of EFM where other standards are referenced.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove current text in subclause 56.4.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC Figure 56-1 P158 L 21 # 570  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Wrong sublayer label

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "LLC-LOGIC LINK CONTROL" with "LLC-LOGICAL LINK CONTROL OR OTHER MAC CLIENT"

The same thing applies to both stacks in Figure 56-2

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC Figure 56-1 P158 L 28 # 305  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

This diagram shows some sublayers common across port type and some separate. What does this mean? Although figures 64-2 and 43-1 needs to show single and multiple instantiations, other layer diagrams starting with fig. 1-1 seem to be showing same and different flavours of a layer. 802.3 (2002) figures 2-1, 4-1, 6-1, 22-1 and 35-1 show separate RSs separately.

SuggestedRemedy

Show horizontally separate reconciliation sublayers: as many as there are different RS clauses defining them. E.g. 100BASE-X (cl.22) and 1000BASE-X (cl.35) RSs are different.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

Cl 56 SC Figure 56-2 P159 L 16 # 571  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Extra sublayer

SuggestedRemedy

According to the description in Clause 65, the FEC function exists within the PCS, not as an additional sublayer. Perhaps the line between the PCS and the FEC could be dashed.

On this same page, in 56.1.2 line 48: Replace "FEC sublayer" with "FEC function"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC Figure 56-2 P159 L 20 # 306  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The medium can't have a stub to the left of the OLT's MDI. See e.g. fig 14-1 or 15-1 for styles that clearly avoid the implied stub.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the apparent stub. Similarly in figure 60-1.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will check the style rules

Cl 56 SC Table 56-1 P161 L 52 # 575  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Wrong reference in footbote

SuggestedRemedy

In footbote d, replace "63B" with "62B"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 56	SC Table 56-1	P 161	L 53	# 341
Dawe, Piers		Agilent		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
Note d refers to wrong annex.				
SuggestedRemedy				
62B?				
Proposed Response		Response Status	W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

Cl 56	SC Table 56-1	P 162	L 17	# 423
Law, David		3Com		
Comment Type	TR	Comment Status	D	
The Clause 66 '100 RS, PCS, PMA' column is marked as 'O' Optional for 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10 PHYs however a PHY has to have a RS, PCS and PMA so this cannot be optional.				
More importantly subclause 66.1.2 states 'The 100BASE-X PCS and PMA for subscriber access networks shall conform to the requirements of the 100BASE-X PCS specified in 24.2 and the 100BASE-X PMA specified in 24.3 with the following exception:' - the Clause 66 PCS and PMA specification is therefore mandatory for a 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10 (subscriber access network) PHYs and marking the Clause 66 '100 RS, PCS, PMA' as Optional is in conflict with this shall statement.				
In addition, as can also be seen from the subclause 66.1 title 'Modifications to the physical coding sublayer (PCS) and physical medium attachment (PMA) sublayer, type 100BASE-X' Clause 66 only specifies a PCS and PMA for the 100BASE-BX and 100BASE-LX PHYs, it does not specify a RS. This should also be corrected in the table column header.				
SuggestedRemedy				
Change the Clause 66 '100 RS, PCS, PMA' column entries for the 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10 PHYs to be 'M'.				
Change the text '100 RS, PCS, PMA' in the Clause 66 column to read 'Subscriber access 100BASE-X PCS & PMA'. Note that the header text in these columns should be rotated through 90 degrees to allow this additional text to be added.				
Proposed Response		Response Status	W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

Cl 56	SC Table 56-2	P 162	L 10	# 427
Law, David		3Com		
Comment Type	T	Comment Status	D	
Clause 66 only specifies a PCS and PMA for the 100BASE-BX and 100BASE-LX PHYs as the title of subclause 66.1 states 'Modifications to the physical coding sublayer (PCS) and physical medium attachment (PMA) sublayer, type 100BASE-X'. It does not specify a RS.				
SuggestedRemedy				
Suggest the text '100 RS, PCS, PMA' in the Clause 66 column be changed to read 'Subscriber access 100BASE-X PCS & PMA'. Note that the header text in these columns should be rotated through 90 degrees to allow this additional text to be added.				
Proposed Response		Response Status	W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

Cl 56	SC Table 56-2	P 162	L 10	# 426
Law, David		3Com		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
Suggest the that the header text in each columns should be rotated through 90 degrees to allow additional text to be added. This additional space should be used t provide column headers that more closely match the actually titles of the Clauses referenced.				
SuggestedRemedy				
Rotate header text in each column.				
Perform the following changes as there will be more space available.				
In 2nd column change 'LX10 PMD' to read '100BASE-LX10 PMD'				
In 3rd column change 'BX10 PMD' to read '100BASE-BX10 PMD'				
In 4th column change 'LX10 PMD' to read '1000BASE-LX10 PMD'				
In 5th column change 'BX10 PMD' to read '1000BASE-BX10 PMD'				
In 6th column change 'PX10 PMD' to read '1000BASE-PX10 PMD'				
In 7th column change 'PX20 PMD' to read '1000BASE-PX20 PMD'				
In 8th column change 'Cu PCS' to read '10PASS-TS and 2BASE-TL PCS'				
In 9th column change '10M PMA & PMD' to read '10PASS-TS PMA & PMD'				
In 10th column change '2M PMA & PMD' to read '2BASE-TL PMA & PMD'				
In 11th column change 'P2MP MC' to read 'Multi-point MAC Control'				
In 12th column change '1G RS, PCS, PMA' to read '1000BASE-X RS, PCS & PMA extensions for P2MP' (Note this is duplication of a change suggested in a TR comment).				
In 13th column change 'FEC' to read '1000BASE-X PCS extension for FEC'				
In 14th column change '100 RS, PCS, PMA' to read 'Subscriber access 100BASE-X PCS & PMA'. (Note this is duplication of a change suggested in a TR comment).				
In 15th column change '100 RS, PCS, PMA' to read 'Subscriber access 1000BASE-X PCS'. (Note this is duplication of a change suggested in a TR comment).				
Proposed Response				
Response Status W				
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
Will try with the suggested 90 degree rotation				

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<b>Cl 56</b>	<b>SC Table 56-2</b>	<b>P162</b>	<b>L 11</b>	<b># 364</b>
Dawe, Piers		Agilent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
Clause 66 does not touch the 1G RS or PMA.				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
Delete 'RS' and 'PMA' from right most column.				
<b>Proposed Response</b>		<b>Response Status</b>	<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

<b>Cl 56</b>	<b>SC Table 56-2</b>	<b>P162</b>	<b>L 11</b>	<b># 349</b>
Dawe, Piers		Agilent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
Clause 66 does not touch the 100M RS.				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
Delete 'RS' from under '100'.				
<b>Proposed Response</b>		<b>Response Status</b>	<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

<b>Cl 56</b>	<b>SC Table 56-2</b>	<b>P162</b>	<b>L 11</b>	<b># 369</b>
Dawe, Piers		Agilent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
Clause 66 unidirectional transmission is not just an option for PON: as I understand it, it's necessary for the OLT and a very bad idea (we should consider forbidding it) for the OLT.				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
To avoid creating extra rows, change '1000BASE-PX10' to '1000BASE-PX-U' and '1000BASE-PX20' to '1000BASE-PX-D', change 'PX10 PMD' to 'PX-U PMD' and 'PX20 PMD' to 'PX-D PMD'. Change the intersection of 1000BASE-PX-U and '66 1G RS, PCS, PMA' (to become '66 1G PCS' per other comments) from 'O' to empty cell. Change the intersection of 1000BASE-PX-D and 66 1G PCS' from 'O' to 'M'.				
<b>Proposed Response</b>		<b>Response Status</b>	<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				

<b>Cl 56</b>	<b>SC Table 56-2</b>	<b>P162</b>	<b>L 11</b>	<b># 425</b>
Law, David		3Com		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
It appears very odd to have the Clause 65 '1G RS, PCS, PMA' marked as 'M' Mandatory and then to also have the Clause 66 '1G RS, PCS, PMA' marked as 'O' Optional for the 1000BASE-PX PHYs. This implies that there can be two PCSs present if the optional (which actually has to be Mandatory - see other comment) Clause 66 '1G RS, PCS, PMA' is included.				
The explanation here is that Clause 65 does not actually specify a '1G RS, PCS, PMA' but instead, as the Clause 65 title states it specifies 'Extensions of the Reconciliation Sublayer (RS) and Physical Coding Sublayer (PCS) / Physical Media Attachment (PMA) for 1000BASE-X for Multi-Point Links and Forward Error Correction'.				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
Suggest the text '1G RS, PCS, PMA' in the Clause 65 column be changed to read '1000BASE-X RS, PCS & PMA extensions'. Note that the header text in these columns should be rotated through 90 degrees to allow this additional text to be added.				
<b>Proposed Response</b>		<b>Response Status</b>	<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

<b>Cl 56</b>	<b>SC Table 56-2</b>	<b>P162</b>	<b>L 20</b>	<b># 424</b>
Law, David		3Com		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
The Clause 66 '1G RS, PCS, PMA' column is marked as 'O' Optional for 1000BASE-LX10, 1000BASE-BX10, 1000BASE-PX10 and 1000BASE-PX20 PHYs however a PHY has to have a RS, PCS and PMA so this cannot be optional.				
More importantly subclause 66.2.2 states 'The 1000BASE-X PCS for subscriber access networks shall conform to the requirements of the 1000BASE-X PCS specified in 36.2 with the following exception:' - the Clause 66 PCS specification is therefore mandatory for these subscriber access network PHYs and marking the Clause 66 '1G RS, PCS, PMA' as Optional is in conflict with this shall statement.				
In addition, as can also be seen from the subclause 66.2 title 'Modifications to the physical coding sublayer (PCS), type 1000BASE-X' Clause 66 only specifies a PCS for the subscriber access PHYs, it does not specify a RS or a PMA. This should also be corrected in the table column header.				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
Change the Clause 66 '1G RS, PCS, PMA' column entries for the 1000BASE-LX10, 1000BASE-BX10, 1000BASE-PX10 and 1000BASE-PX20 PHYs to be 'M'.				
Change the text '1G RS, PCS, PMA' in the Clause 66 column to read 'Subscriber access 1000BASE-X PCS'. Note that the header text in these columns should be rotated through 90 degrees to allow this additional text to be added.				
<b>Proposed Response</b>		<b>Response Status</b>	<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

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**Cl 56**      **SC Table 56-2**      **P162**      **L 26**      # **576**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

Footnotes shouldn't be centered

## SuggestedRemedy

Left justify footnotes

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 56**      **SC Table 56-2**      **P162**      **L 27**      # **818**  
Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

## SuggestedRemedy

Left justify the two notes

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 56**      **SC Table 56-2**      **P162**      **L 7**      # **370**  
Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

I just love this table; it's invaluable for understanding how EFM changes the 'legacy' 802.3, and understanding what sublayers may be mix-and-matched with what.

## SuggestedRemedy

Please see attached file which makes some minor corrections, adds some information and folds up the resulting table to get more information into the same page width.  
[http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/comments/d3\\_0/pdfs/dawe\\_1\\_0104.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/comments/d3_0/pdfs/dawe_1_0104.pdf) ?

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

Its not clear that reordering the table adds value. Perhaps the commenter would like to make a separate comment to identify the content changes vs. the format.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57**      **P166**      **L 01**      # **115**  
Braga, Aldobino      UNH-IOL

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

Comments 56 and 57 were rejected during draft 2.1 review, but the proposed response indicated new text was to be created for this version of the draft.

I don't see said text.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add promised text.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

D2.1/57.6 read:

"MIB variables are queried through the use of Variable Request OAMPDUs and returned through the use of Variable Response OAMPDUs. Variables are requested via a data structure called a Variable Descriptor and are returned through the use of a data structure called a Variable Container. The following sections describe the format of Variable Descriptors and Variable Containers."

D3.0/57.6 reads:

"MIB variables are queried through the use of Variable Request OAMPDUs and returned through the use of Variable Response OAMPDUs. Variable Request OAMPDUs, defined in 57.4.3.3, use data structures called Variable Descriptors (see 57.6.1). An OAM client may request one or more variables in each Variable Request OAMPDU.

Variable Response OAMPDUs, defined in 57.4.3.4, use data structures called Variable Containers (see 57.6.2). In returning requested variables, an OAM client generates at least one and perhaps additional Variable Response OAMPDUs per received Variable Request OAMPDU. The following sections describe the format of Variable Descriptors and Variable Containers."

New text was created in response to D2.1/comment #56. The OAM STF was undecided on the question of adding pictures, hence the response included the caveat "possibly."

D2.1/comment #57 rejected removing the table and pointed the balance of the response to D2.1/comment #56, which has been dealt with above.

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Cl 57	SC 57	P 166	L 27	# 135
Braga, Aldobino		UNH-IOL		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
There are a large number of broken cross references in this clause				
SuggestedRemedy				
I've done my best to catalog them in braga_2_0104.pdf. Please fix the broken cross-references.				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

Cl 57	SC 57.0	P 166	L 39	# 578
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
Double spaces - cut error				
SuggestedRemedy				
Before numerous references in this clause, there are 2 spaces. I did a little background work for you and found that everywhere you removed "CROSS REF" from D2.2 you left the spaces on either side resulting in 2 spaces. If you do a search for two spaces in FrameMaker, you should find the vast majority of these problems.				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

Cl 57	SC 57.1.2	P 166	L 27	# 313
Dawe, Piers		Agilent		
Comment Type	TR	Comment Status	D	
'Don't mess with the legacy Ethernet.'				
Section a) is partly unworkable.				
This ability, if present, lives in the PCS/PMA, not in the PMDs defined in clauses 58-60. The PCS doesn't know where it is. It doesn't know what wavelength or type of optics is connected to it.				
Section a)2) appears to outlaw the legacy PCSs with clause 58, 59, 60 optics. For clause 58 and 59, 100BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX10 like PHYs have been shipping for some time; it's too late to say their PCS/PMAs are not true Ethernet and very bad for the cost-effective, graceful evolution of Ethernet new markets such as subscriber access networks using 'legacy' components, principles and standards. 100BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX10 are not just applicable mainly for subscriber access networks: they are equally at home in 'traditional' campus or telecom-core networks. Further, 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX are interoperable and are intended for attachment to the same PCSs - both old and new and for use in the same kinds of networks: campus and wider. And it doesn't make sense to try to associate the legality of such additional features to network type either: we don't have a watertight definition of a "subscriber access network" nor do we need one. There are just devices and cable plant engineering specs, no definition of who owns the network or anything like that.				
Clause 66 RS, PCS and PMA are shown as optional in Table 56-2. That's as it should be (except for 1000BASE-PX-D, PON OLT).				
For info, clause 22 has registers for Unidirectional enable and Unidirectional ability.				
There is no strong reason to make the PCS unidirectional capability feature mandatory in any situation, as the OAM sublayer that uses it is optional, and the OAM sublayer can still be invoked without it (obviously without all its possible functionality).				
57.1.2 needs to be changed to bring it in line with table 56-2 and common sense. These clarifications would still give the OAM supporters what they want: the unidirectional feature would appear in new silicon if it's found useful.				
SuggestedRemedy				
Change 57.1.2 a) 2) to: '2) 100BASE-X, 1000BASE-X and 10 Gb/s physical layer devices may be capable of unidirectional operation thus allowing OAM remote fault indication during fault conditions.'; Change a)3) to: '3) 1000BASE-PX-D physical layer devices, defined in Clause 60 and 66.2, support unidirectional operation in the direction from OLT to ONU that allows OAM remote fault indication from OLT during fault conditions. Unidirectional operation in the other direction is not recommended as it is likely to cause interference to the signals of other ONUs.'; and delete item a) 4).				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				

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This issue is bigger than just the OAM STF. There was some discussion before/during the Albuquerque meeting both via e-mail and in the OAM STF. This is probably worthy of EFM TF discussion.

CI 57 SC 57.1.2 P 166 L 27 # 130

Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Shouldn't the following be cross-references?  
Line 27: Clause 58 and Clause 59  
Line 29: Clause 60  
Line 32: Clause 58, 59, and 60

SuggestedRemedy

Please make these cross-references pointing to the correct clauses

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Subject to the disposition of comment #313, these cross-references will be added.

CI 57 SC 57.1.2 P 166 L 35 # 577

Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Hanging bullet item

SuggestedRemedy

Item b) 1) shouldn't exist without a b) 2). Collapse this under b) or add a second list item

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Bullet will be rewritten as follows:

"b) Remote Loopback - A mechanism is provided to support a data link layer frame-level loopback mode."

CI 57 SC 57.1.5.4 P 168 L 05 # 767

Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing punctuation.

SuggestedRemedy

Add period to the end of the paragraph.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.2.10.1 P 176 L 10 # 770

Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Inconsistent line weights in Table 57-2.

SuggestedRemedy

Increase line weights for the two lighter lines.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.2.11 P 177 L 28 # 771

Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Use singular form of media in Figure 57-4.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "Media" to "Medium".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.2.11.1 P 177 L 47 # 583

Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

word in uppercase

SuggestedRemedy

Is additional emphasis really added just by using all uppercase on this word? The word "recommended" doesn't become stronger or weaker based on its case. Make this word lowercase.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.2.11.1 P 177 L 49 # 772

Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Bullet points a) and b) have no punctuation at the end.

SuggestedRemedy

Put periods at the end of each bullet point.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 SC 57.2.11.3 P178 L 19 # 98  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

"After receiving a Loopback Control OAMPDU with the Disable OAM Remote Loopback command, the remote OAM client first sends an Information OAMPDU with updated state information reflecting the local\_par\_action and local\_mux\_action parameters set to FWD and then sets the local\_par\_action and local\_mux\_action parameters to FWD via the OAM\_CTL.request service primitive."

The order is incorrect.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace with:

"After receiving a Loopback Control OAMPDU with the Disable OAM Remote Loopback command, the remote OAM client sets the local\_par\_action and local\_mux\_action parameters to FWD via the OAM\_CTL.request service primitive and then sends an Information OAMPDU with updated state information reflecting the local\_par\_action and local\_mux\_action parameters set to FWD."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

The Editor is scratching is head over how this was missed.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.11.5 P178 L 52 # 584  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing commas

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace: "and if Clause 30 is present are" with "and, if Clause 30 is present, are"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.11.6 P179 L 10 # 25  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Truncate the second step in both insets to be just "Send an Information OAMPDU" as the rest of the sentence ("with updated state information...") is redundant.

## SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Bullet b) will be rewritten as follows:

"Send an Information OAMPDU."

Bullet d) will be rewritten as follows:

"Send an Information OAMPDU."

Comment #283 is similar, but truncates less of the sentence. Comment #25 is therefore accepted.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.11.6 P179 L 11 # 283  
Gerhardt, Floyd Cisco Systems, Inc.

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The text:

"b) Send an Information OAMPDU with updated state information reflecting its local\_par\_action set to LB and local\_mux\_action set to DISCARD." is redundant with the action taken in a)

## SuggestedRemedy

Truncate the text to read:

b) Send an Information OAMPDU with the updated state information.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Comment #25 offers a shorter remedy.

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CI 57 SC 57.2.11.6 P179 L14 # 21  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The steps ((c) and (d)) indicate set parm then transmit PDU, while the text (lines 21-28) seem to indicate transmit then set parms. I think we changed the order of the steps last time, but havent changed the text.

## SuggestedRemedy

Make text conform to the order of the steps.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #99, which deletes the first paragraph.  
See comment #100, which corrects the second paragraph.

CI 57 SC 57.2.11.6 P179 L16 # 585  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Bullets out of order

## SuggestedRemedy

I believe bullets c) and d) are still in the old order of setting the parameters before sending the OAMPDU. I think these should be swapped.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

D2.1/57.2.11.6 had bullets in the old order.  
D2.2/57.2.11.6 has the bullets in the correct order.  
D3.0/57.2.11.6 has the bullets in the correct order.

The correct order is:

Change the parameters, then send the Information OAMPDU.

CI 57 SC 57.2.11.6 P179 L18 # 284  
Gerhardt, Floyd Cisco Systems, Inc.

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The text:  
"b) Send an Information OAMPDU with updated state information reflecting its local\_par\_action and local\_mux\_action parameters." is redundant with the action taken in c)

## SuggestedRemedy

Truncate the text to read:  
d) Send an Information OAMPDU with the updated state information.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Comment #25 offers a shorter remedy.

CI 57 SC 57.2.11.6 P179 L20 # 99  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The paragraph starting on line 20, references the old way of operation.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the paragraph starting on line 20.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.2.11.6 P179 L25 # 100  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

"If state information is changed followed by the sending of an Information OAMPDU reflecting this change, it is possible for the MAC client to send frames that are discarded by the remote DTE before the local OAM client can send the Information OAMPDU instructing the remote DTE to change its local\_par\_action variable."

The sentence has two issues:

- Everything up to and including the first comma no longer makes sense. As this is now the proposed way to operate.
- The concern described in the sentence is incorrect (its backwards), the remote MAC client could send frames that are discarded by the local DTE.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the sentence to read:  
"It is possible for the remote MAC client to send frames that are discarded by the local DTE before the remote OAM client can send the Information OAMPDU instructing the local DTE to change its local\_par\_action variable."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 57**      **SC 57.2.12**      **P 179**      **L 34**      **# 22**  
Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
I think its time we kill the footnote to the balloters!

**SuggestedRemedy**

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.2.2**      **P 169**      **L 03**      **# 14**  
Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
In addition to the exception while in loopback mode, there is also an exception for when you've put the partner in loopback mode and you discard non-OAMPDUs.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Change "When not in OAM remote loopback mode, .." to "In general, .."

Add sentence "When the peer OAM entity is in OAM remote loopback mode, non-OAMPDUs are discarded by the OAM sublayer so that higher layer functions (e.g. bridging) do not process the looped back frames. "

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Bullet d) will be rewritten as follows:

"The OAM sublayer parses received frames and passes OAMPDUs to the OAM client. In general, non-OAMPDUs are passed to the superior sublayer. When in OAM remote loopback mode, non-OAMPDUs are looped back to the subordinate sublayer. When the peer OAM entity is in OAM remote loopback mode, non-OAMPDUs are discarded by the OAM sublayer so that higher layer functions (e.g., bridging) do not process the looped back frames."

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.2.2**      **P 169**      **L 08**      **# 96**  
Braga, Aldobino      UNH-IOL

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
TLV is used for the first time here. Should the acronym be spelled out?

**SuggestedRemedy**

Spell the TLV acronym out such as: "...Organization Specific Information Type Length Value (TLV), and..."

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED REJECT.

TLV is defined in 802.3-2002/1.5 page 32

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.2.4**      **P 166**      **L 26**      **# 165**  
Glenn Parsons      Nortel Networks

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**  
Given the work by the ITU-T in creating Y.1730 that describes Ethernet OAM requirements, it would make sense that the section that describes the OAM client mentions it. That is, the ITU-T requirements for a much larger scope client indicates several required OAM functions (e.g., loopback, discovery, performance monitoring & continuous connectivity check) that are satisfied by clause 57. This addition will show the relationship with the ITU-T work.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Add a new subsection:

57.2.4.1 Relationship to ITU-T Y.1730

Recommendation ITU-T Y.1730 "Requirements for OAM functions in Ethernet based networks" provides the motivations and requirements for user-plane OAM (Operation, Administration and Maintenance) functionality for Ethernet based networks. The scope includes the requirements for OAM functions for the point-to-point and multipoint-to-multipoint Ethernet connections including both dedicated and shared access.

The OAM client described in this clause performs a subset of the requirements outlined by configuring and enabling the OAM sublayer entity. These required OAM functions are:

- loopback
- discovery
- performance monitoring
- continuous connectivity check

Note that additional OAM functions described in Y.1730 are out of scope for this clause.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED REJECT.

While other standards bodies definitely contributed to the OAM requirements, it would be difficult (if not impossible) and precedent setting to include a list of "credits" as to the source of the requirements. 802.3 does not have a history of doing this.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.2.4**      **P 169**      **L 32**      **# 15**  
Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
The sentence "Upon receiving...will be learned" seems out of place. It talks about some very detailed behavior in a place where we're doing very general discussion.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Delete sentence.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 57**      **SC 57.2.4**      **P 169**      **L 33**      **# 579**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
Change wording

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Replace "previous Information TLV," with "previously received Information TLV (indicating nothing in it has changed)."

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED REJECT.

Comment #15 deletes this sentence.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.2.4**      **P 169**      **L 37**      **# 16**  
Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
The sentence "The OAM client...Passive DTEs" is an example and it should be phrased as such.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Add "For example, " before the sentence.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

The sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"For example, the OAM client does not respond to illegal requests such as Variable Request and Loopback Control OAMPDUs from Passive DTEs."

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.2.4**      **P 169**      **L 42**      **# 97**  
Braga, Aldobino      UNH-IOL

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
"The OAM client transfers events by sending and receiving OAMPDUs. To increase the likelihood that a particular event is received by the remote DTE, the OAM client may send the event multiple times."

I don't know if you're trying to hold off on introducing the different OAMPDUs this early in the clause, but in the previous paragraph you explain that "particular OAMPDUs" control OAM remote loopback.

Could you do the same here?

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Change the sentence to read:  
"The OAM client transfers events by sending and receiving particular OAMPDUs."

Since the sentence following has the word "particular" in it perhaps changing it to "specific" would improve readability:  
"To increase the likelihood that a specific event is received by the remote DTE, the OAM client may send the event multiple times."

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

As a result this comment and comment #17, the paragraph will be re-written as follows:

"Link events are signalled between peer OAM client entities. The OAM client transfers events by sending and receiving particular OAMPDUs. To increase the likelihood that a specific event is received by the remote DTE, the OAM client may send the event multiple times."

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.2.4**      **P 169**      **L 44**      **# 17**  
Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
The "identical sequence numbers" part of the sentence is probably too much info for this general overview given sequence numbers have not even been discussed.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Delete "identical sequence numbers, which have".

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See comment #97, which contains the rewritten paragraph.

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Cl 57 SC 57.2.5.1.2 P170 L 23 # 18  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Not sure what the 15:3 are doing there, given that we use bits 0:6 according to table 57-3.

## SuggestedRemedy

Can make that 0:6, or just eliminate that sentence altogether and have the entire flags field passed down.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

See 57.2.10.3 a) where it describes how critical link events are communicated to the OAM sublayer from the OAM client. This is a separate service primitive.

The service primitive you're referring to passes frames from the OAM client to the OAM sublayer. The frame interface shouldn't overwrite the separate service primitive interface.

Hence, only the upper 15:3 bits are passed via the flags parameter of the OAMPDU.request.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.5.1.4 P170 L 37 # 580  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Add some words

## SuggestedRemedy

To the end of this last sentence, add the following:  
" according to the transmit rules as described in 57.3.2.2"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"The receipt of this primitive will cause the OAM sublayer entity to insert all OAMPDU specific fields, including DA, SA, Length/Type and Subtype, and pass the properly formed OAMPDU to the lower protocol layers for transfer to the peer OAM client entity according to the transmit rules as described in 57.3.2.2."

Cl 57 SC 57.2.5.3.2 P171 L 26 # 19  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status D

This whole section seems disorganized. I think it starts with the function prototype in that the flags, state info, and config info are all thrown in together in random order. It might be more readable if we re-organized the parameters based on the fields they correspond to.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change prototype:

```
OAM_CTL.request (
    local_unidirectional,
    local_link_status,
    local_dying_gasp,
    local_critical_event,
    local_satisfied,
    remote_state_valid,
    remote_stable,
    local_mux_action,
    local_par_action,
    information_data
)
```

When set, the local\_unidirectional parameter is used to indicate the sending station supports transmission of OAMPDUs on unidirectional links as supported by some physical coding layers.

The local\_link\_status, local\_dying\_gasp, and local\_critical\_event parameters are used to indicate immediate event situations that must be transmitted to the peer OAM entity. The local\_link\_status parameter is used to convey the status of the link as determined by the underlying physical layer. When set, the local\_link\_status parameter will cause the OAM sublayer to transmit an Information OAMPDU with the Link Fault bit of the Flags field set and no Information TLVs. The local dying gasp parameter is used to signal a local unrecoverable failure condition. When set, the local\_dying\_gasp parameter will cause the OAM sublayer to transmit an Information OAMPDU with the Dying Gasp bit of the Flags field set. The local\_critical\_event parameter is used to signal an unspecified critical link event condition. When set, the local\_critical\_event parameter will cause the OAM sublayer to transmit an Information OAMPDU with the Critical Event bit of the Flags field set.

The local\_satisfied, remote\_state\_valid, and remote\_stable parameters are used in the discovery process. The local\_satisfied parameter is set by the OAM client as a result of comparing its local configuration and the remote configuration found in the received Local Information TLV. See 57.3.2.1.

The local\_mux\_action and local\_par\_action parameters are used to control the state of the Multiplexer and Parser functions of the OAM sublayer (see 57.3.3).

The information\_data parameter contains the Local Information TLV fields, and, if available, the Remote Information and Organization Specific Information TLV fields, to be included in Information OAMPDUs generated by the Multiplexer function (see 57.3.3).

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Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.5.3.2 P171 L 28 # 581  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**  
polarity conflict

## SuggestedRemedy

The name of "local\_link\_status" seems to conflict with its polarity. It seems funny to me that the status = 1 when the link is in fault. To me, it seems that it should be 1 when the link is good.

I recommend flipping the polarity or changing the name to "local\_link\_fault"

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The parameter local\_link\_status will be changed to local\_link\_fault.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.5.4.2 P172 L 31 # 20  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
local\_pdu and local\_stable can be combined into one sentence.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change sentence to "The local\_pdu and local\_stable parameters are used by the OAM sublayer to indicate to the OAM Client state information in the Discovery process. See 57.3.2.1.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The rewritten sentence will be as follows:

"The local\_pdu and local\_stable parameters are used by the OAM sublayer to indicate to the OAM client state information in the Discovery process (see 57.3.2.1)."

Cl 57 SC 57.2.6 P172 L 49 # 768  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
Figure number should be all on one line.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change to a non-breaking hyphen.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.8.1.2 P173 L 47 # 769  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
Start subclause on a new page as the semantics of the primitive are spread across two pages.

## SuggestedRemedy

Fix as per comment.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.8.2.2 P174 L 48 # 582  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
Missing values for reception\_status

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a sentence to this paragraph that reads: "Values for the reception\_status parameter can be found in 4.3.2."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.9 P175 L 08 # 121  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
When OAM is enabled, a DTE capable of both Active and Passive mode shall select either Active or Passive."

My spelling and grammar aren't that great but is this a typo? Should "mode" be "modes"?

## SuggestedRemedy

Change mode to modes.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 SC 57.3.1.2 P180 L 45 # 586  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Missing word

SuggestedRemedy  
Replace "Indicates the" with "This indicates the"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.3.1.2 P181 L 04 # 587  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
wrong word

SuggestedRemedy  
Replace "client to the Multiplexer" with "client through the Multiplexer"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"This governs the flow of frames from the MAC client through the Multiplexer function (see 57.3.3)."

Cl 57 SC 57.3.1.2 P181 L 23 # 588  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
wrong word

SuggestedRemedy  
Replace "non-OAMPDUs within the" with "non-OAMPDUs through the"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"This governs the flow of non-OAMPDUs through the Parser function (see 57.3.4)."

Cl 57 SC 57.3.2.1 P184 L 01 # 773  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Figure 57-5 is in the middle of a paragraph.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change the frame anchor properties.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

Figure 57-5's anchor is at the end of the line that reads "OAM sublayer entities shall implement the Discovery state diagram shown in Figure 57-5."

Cl 57 SC 57.3.2.1 P184 L 01 # 215  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

In figure 57-5, the discovery process restarts whenever local\_link\_status = FAIL. The definition of this variable is that it indicates the status of the established link, as determined by the PHY. In an EPON, each ONU will turn on its laser to begin transmission and turn it off when it is done. The receiver of the OLT will re-synchronize to each ONU's transmission, and between transmissions there will potentially be no signal on the fiber, at least in the upstream direction. During this lengthy time, the PCS will reset to the LOSS\_OF\_SYNC state.

It would seem that this action in the PCS, a part of the PHY, would cause local\_link\_status = FAIL, thus restarting the OAM discovery process. If this were to be allowed to happen, then the discovery process would continually reset and would never complete for any ONU. This is obviously not what was intended, and can hopefully be fixed by a better definition of local\_link\_status. Specifically, when dealing with an EPON, you would want to have the local\_link\_status variable tied to the registrations status of an ONU. As long as an ONU is registered, the logical link is alive. Since there is only a single PHY, and it doesn't know anything about whether or not an ONU is registered, this information cannot come from the PHY. The only layer that knows this is the Multi-point MAC Control layer.

SuggestedRemedy  
Modify the definition of local\_link\_status to: A parameter of the OAM\_CTL.request service primitive, as defined in 57.2.5.3. When a multi-point MAC control sublayer is not present, this indicates the status of the established link, as determined by the PHY. When a multi-point MAC control sublayer is present, this indicates the status of the established logical link, as determined by the multi-point MAC control sublayer.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Comment #216 is similar.

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Cl 57 SC 57.3.2.1 P184 L 02 # 102  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

When local\_lost\_link\_timer\_done=TRUE the OAM Discovery process returns to the Link\_Fault state. This results in the generation of Information OAMPDUs with the Link Fault critical link event flag set high.

This means that the local OAM device will tell the remote OAM device that there is a link fault (which is perceive as a PHY issue) even though MAC client frames could still be reliably transmitted and received in both directions.

## SuggestedRemedy

How about two different flags to help the OAM client better figure out what happened?  
PHY Link Fault could be triggered by link\_link\_status  
OAM Link Fault could be triggered by local\_lost\_link\_timer\_done

Each flags could be set with an "If" statement in the LINK\_FAULT state:  
IF (local\_link\_timer\_done=TRUE)  
THEN oam\_link\_fault=TRUE  
IF (local\_link\_status=FAIL)THEN phy\_link\_fault=TRUE

(This would require changes to:  
line 53 on page 183  
the first full paragraph on page 184  
the second paragraph on page 184)

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Good catch. The remedy seems excessive, though. Rather than creating two new flags, why not just add an IF statement to the assignment of local\_pdu?

```
"
IF (local_link_fault = TRUE)
  THEN local_pdu <= LF_INFO
  ELSE local_pdu <= RX_INFO
"
```

This way, link fault would only be signaled if there is a detected link fault. In either the reset case (BEGIN) or the loss the OAM link case (local\_lost\_link\_timer), no OAMPDUs would be transmitted until we dropped out of LINK\_FAULT state.

We could consider changing the name of the state to FAULT to be a little more generic as well.

Cl 57 SC 57.3.2.1 P184 L 30 # 101  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

"The unidirectional transmission of OAMPDUs is supported..."

The sentence doesn't specify that unidirectional transmission is strictly done with Information OAMPDUs only

## SuggestedRemedy

Change sentence to read:"The unidirectional transmission of Information OAMPDUs is supported..."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.3.2.1 P184 L 31 # 24  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Might be useful to indicate local\_pdu=ANY is the expected normal state.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add sentence at end: "This is the expected normal operating state for OAM on fully operational links."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.3.2.1 P185 L 06 # 103  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

"If at any time the settings on either the local or remote change resulting in management becoming unsatisfied with the settings, the Discovery process returns to the SEND\_LOCAL\_REMOTE\_1 state."

The referred management is really the local OAM client.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the line to read:

"If at any time the settings on either the local or remote change resulting in the local OAM client becoming unsatisfied with the setting, the Discovery process returns to the SEND\_LOCAL\_REMOTE\_1 state."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 57**      **SC 57.3.2.1.1**      **P185**      **L 15**      **# 589**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent  
**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
Hanging subclause  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
57.3.2.1.1 shouldn't exist without a 57.3.2.1.2. Collapse this subclause into 57.3.2.1.  
**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.3.2.1.1**      **P185**      **L 18**      **# 104**  
Braga, Aldobino      UNH-IOL  
**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
References to "management" throughout this paragraph are confusing.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
Change "management" to "local OAM client".  
**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Per this comment and comments #105 & #106, paragraph will be rewritten as follows:

"The Local Stable and Local Discovering bits of the Flags field communicate the status of the local OAM Discovery process to the peer. While local\_pdu is not set to ANY, the local DTE sets the Local Stable and Local Discovering bits to 0x1 indicating OAM Discovery has not completed. If the local OAM client is unsatisfied with the remote OAM settings, the local DTE sets the Local Stable and Local Discovering bits to 0x0. If the local OAM client is satisfied and local\_pdu is set to ANY, the local DTE sets the Local Stable and Local Discovering bits of the Flags field to 0x2 indicating OAM Discovery has successfully completed. See Table 57-3 for more information."

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.3.2.1.1**      **P185**      **L 18**      **# 105**  
Braga, Aldobino      UNH-IOL  
**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
Not to be too picky but references to Discovery in the paragraph are ambiguous.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
Change references to "Discovery" in the paragraph to "OAM Discovery".  
**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See comment #104 for a rewrite of the paragraph.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.3.2.1.1**      **P185**      **L 21**      **# 106**  
Braga, Aldobino      UNH-IOL  
**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
"If, after learning of the remote OAM settings, management determines it is unsatisfied, the local DTE sets the Local Stable and Local Discovering bits to 0x0 indicating Discovering can not successfully complete due to management being unsatisfied. This sentence is difficult to read. Unsatisfied is mentioned twice."

This sentence is difficult to read. Unsatisfied is mentioned twice adding to the difficulty.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Please change the sentence to read:  
"If the local OAM client is unsatisfied with the remote OAM settings, the local DTE sets the Local Stable and Local Discovering bits to 0x0."

Or

"If the local OAM client is unsatisfied with the remote OAM settings, the local DTE sets the Local Stable and Local Discovering bits to 0x0 indicating OAM Discovery cannot successfully complete."

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See comment #104 for a rewrite of the paragraph.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.3.2.2**      **P185**      **L 38**      **# 590**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent  
**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
an should be a  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
Replace "shall generate an CTL:OAMIR" with "shall generate a CTL:OAMIR"  
Also, do the same thing on line 40  
**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 57 SC 57.3.2.3 P185 L 46 # 131**  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

**Comment Type E Comment Status D**

I don't think it is made clear that from this point on, the OAM Client does all parsing of the OAMPDUs. And that all parsing rules throughout the rest of the document are RECOMMENDATIONS as defining the OAM client is out of scope for 802.3.

Clause 57.4.3 Page 190 Line 40 would also benefit from a similar statement.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Please add a sentence or two stating that the OAM Client does the remaining parsing of all OAMPDUs (including TLVs, Variable Descriptors, and Variable Container) and that all rules about processing are RECOMMENDATIONS.

**Proposed Response Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add sentence to first paragraph of 57.6.3 to read:

"The OAM client parses Variable Descriptors and Variable Containers. All Variable Descriptors/Containers contain a single octet Variable Branch field and a single octet Variable Leaf field. Variable Descriptor/Container processing should follow these recommendations:"

**Cl 57 SC 57.3.3 P186 L 04 # 216**  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

**Comment Type TR Comment Status D**

In figure 57-6, the OAM multiplexer will not allow MAC client frames to be transmitted when local\_link\_status = FAIL. The OAM process will only allow OAMPDUs to be transmitted when a unidirectional link exists. Subclause 66.2.2, along with Clauses 64 and 65, states that unidirectional traffic is necessary for an EPON to operate. It would seem that although MAC Control traffic could be passed by the OLT, that MAC Client traffic would not make it through the OAM sublayer, thus causing problems on the EPON. A modification to the local\_link\_status variable is necessary to allow traffic to flow on an EPON when a logical link exists, even though the PHY may not have a physical link. I highly recommend discussion with the P2MP sub task force to make sure this is the only part of OAM that needs to be changed.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Modify the definition of local\_link\_status to: A parameter of the OAM\_CTL.request service primitive, as defined in 57.2.5.3. When a multi-popoint MAC control sublayer is not present, this indicates the status of the established link, as determined by the PHY. When a multi-point MAC control sublayer is present, this indicates the status of the established logical link, as determined by the multi-point MAC control sublayer.

**Proposed Response Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Note: Suggested remedy is a duplicate of comment #215.

**Cl 57 SC 57.3.3 P186 L 05 # 127**  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

**Comment Type T Comment Status D**

Issue with Figure 57-6.

What happens when the OAM client tries to send an OAMPDU when it has already sent 10 and the pdu\_timer expires?

Since pdu\_cnt=0, it isn't a valid\_pdu\_req. Also since there was a request pdu\_req=NORMAL.

Don't you get stuck in the WAIT\_FOR\_TX state?

**SuggestedRemedy**

Recommend changing the pdu\_timer\_done \* pdu\_req=NONE transition to: pdu\_timer\_done \* (pdu\_req=NONE + pdu\_req=NORMAL)

Since pdu\_cnt!=10 the transition will go back to the RESET state

**Proposed Response Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Good catch. It seems the commenter improved on the remedy in comment #134. Propose accepting #134 as the remedy for the issue raised in #127.

**Cl 57 SC 57.3.3 P186 L 05 # 133**  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

**Comment Type T Comment Status D**

Figure 57-6

It isn't clear to me how the multiplexer guarantees that the OAM Discovery process is kept alive.

I don't see how the TX\_FRAME state generates an OAMPDU out. I believe its only function is to simply sends the frame down to the MAC (MAC:MADR). Nothing implies it is in charge of creating an OAMPDU.

I see no generation of an OAMI.request(...) in the leftmost transitions.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Within Figure 57-6 add the generation of the OAMI.request(DA, SA, oam\_service\_data\_unit, frame\_check\_sequence)

**Proposed Response Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Good catch. It seems the commenter improved on the remedy in comment #134. Propose accepting #134 as the remedy for the issue raised in #133.

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Cl 57 SC 57.3.3 P186 L 05 # 134  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Why is the multiplexer in charge of keeping the OAM Discovery link alive?

OAM Discovery is done in the control block.  
Why isn't the mechanism for keeping it alive within the same subsystem?

The control block is also in charge of interfacing with the OAM Client. The OAM Client is where the majority of OAMPDUs originate, so when an OAMPDU needs to be generated automatically, why isn't it the responsibility of the system that interacts with the OAM client to generate this OAMPDU? >From a design perspective it doesn't make sense for the multiplexer to do it.

The multiplexer should do what Figure 57-3 alludes to; take three request signals and multiplex them.

## SuggestedRemedy

Split Figure 57-6 into two Figures. One for the multiplexer and one for the control block.

Please consider braga\_1\_0104.pdf as a possible solution

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

A few drafts ago, these two functions were split into two state diagrams. One problem with that method was both state diagrams set a shared variable. The state diagrams were combined to avoid this problem.

This solution again splits out the functions logically.

Per comment #591, there are two unnecessary transitions in the proposed solutions. Otherwise, propose accepting braga\_1\_0104.pdf.

Cl 57 SC 57.3.3 P186 L 05 # 128  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Issue with Figure 57-6.

What happens when the OAM client tries to send an OAMPDU when in the LINK FAULT state of the OAM Discovery process and the pdu\_timer expires?

Since local\_pdu=LF\_INFO and pdu\_req=CRITICAL, this isn't a valid\_pdu\_req.

Don't you get stuck in the WAIT\_FOR\_TX state?

## SuggestedRemedy

Recommend changing the pdu\_timer\_done \* pdu\_req=NONE transition to:  
pdu\_timer\_done \* (pdu\_req=NONE + pdu\_req=CRITICAL)

Now if a OAMPDU has already been sent that second it will go back to the RESET state. If an OAMPDU hasn't already been sent then it will send an Info OAMPDU with the Critical flag (because local\_pdu=LF\_INFO).

If this is accepted along with the previous comment then the transition would look like the following:

pdu\_timer\_done \* (pdu\_req=NONE + pdu\_req=NORMAL + pdu\_req=CRITICAL)

this reduces to:  
pdu\_timer\_done

(coincidentally there is no longer a use for pdu\_req=NONE)

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Good catch. It seems the commenter improved on the remedy in comment #134. Propose accepting #134 as the remedy for the issue raised in #128.

Cl 57 SC 57.3.3.1.2 P187 L 18 # 592  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Missing value

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "INFO or ANY" with "LF\_INFO, INFO or ANY" to match the definition of "valid\_pdu\_req" from page 182. If this isn't correct then the definition of "valid\_pdu\_req" needs to change from "local\_pdu!=RX\_INFO"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

If comment #134 is accepted, this section will be modified substantially. This comment will be taken into consideration during the rewrite.

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Cl 57 SC 57.3.3.2 P188 L15 # 118  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

"The transmission of an OAMPDU shall not affect the transmission a frame that has been submitted to the subordinate sublayer"

Missing the word "of" after the second transmission.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to read:

"...affect the transmission of a frame ..."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.3.3.2 P188 L16 # 593  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

missing word

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "transmission a frame" with "transmission of a frame"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Duplicate of #118.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3 P191 L01 # 137  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Since the OAM client parses OAMPDUs, I am confused as to whether this document is allowed to define the operation of certain fields within the OAMPDUs? If this document is allowed to define these fields, why do they seem to be inconsistent?

Table 57-3 - Flags field

Shall on transmission of reserved, should on reception of reserved  
Discovering bits get shall statements in both directions

Table 57-4 - OAMPDU codes

No shalls just a recommendation to pass to OAM client, no mention of transmission

Table 57-5 - OAM Remote Loopback commands

Table 57-6 - Information TLV Types

No shalls just a recommendation to ignore on reception, no mention of transmission

Table 57-7 - State field

Shall on transmission of reserved, should on reception of reserved  
Parser Action bits get shall statements in both directions

Table 57-8 - OAM Configuration

Table 57-9 - OAMPDU Configuration

Shall on transmission of reserved, should on reception of reserved

Table 57-12

Table 57-15

No shalls just a recommendation to ignore on reception, no mention of transmission

SuggestedRemedy

If this document cannot define the operation of these fields:

Fix the text such that there are no "shall statements" in either direction (TX and RX)

If this document can define the operations of these fields:

Fix the text such that the transmission is governed (shall/shall not) and the reception is recommended (should/should not). I think this is consistent with other TX/RX rules within the document.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The second suggested remedy seems appropriate. Thanks as always to our good friends at UNH IOL for doing thorough review of the PICS and PICS-related portions of the draft.

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Cl 57 SC 57.4.3 P191 L 01 # 774  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Table 57-3 is in the middle of the paragraph.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change table anchor properties.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Table 57-3's anchor is at the end of the line that reads "Additional diagnostic information may be sent using the Event Notification OAMPDU." in 57.4.2.1.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3 P191 L 12 # 775  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

In Table 57-3, bits 6:5 and 4:3 descriptions don't follow a logical order.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change order to be 0x0, 0x1, 0x2 & 0x3.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3 P192 L 14 # 107  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Table 57-4: Two instances  
"Reserved for future use - passed to OAM client"

Text on pages 185 and 191 already states this. If it is felt that reiteration of this is important please add statement indicating it shall not be transmitted.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change both instances of "Reserved for future use - passed to OAM client" to either:

- a) Reserved
- b) Reserved - shall be passed to OAM client on reception and shall not be transmitted

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Let's change this to read:

"Reserved for future use - passed to OAM client on reception".

This text will then mimic comment #136.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P192 L 01 # 736  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

In many cases (often 802 related), the ordering of bits in the OUI is rather ambiguous. As such, the IEEE/RAC requires that standards clearly define the mappings of an example hex field, as is done in the online tutorials.

## SuggestedRemedy

Show a clear example of how the OUI is mapped, using an hex example.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Grow the OUI box to allow for the following text:

"  
OUI  
Sample OUI = AC-DE-48  
CA ED 84  
"

With the latter two lines in italics.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P192 L 01 # 735  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The need for uniqueness of an OUI based identifier is best met by utilizing the EUI-48 or EUI-64 definitions, so that each organization doesn't have to understand the context when assigning such numbers to the requesting division.

## SuggestedRemedy

Revise the OUI and Vendor Specific Information field to be either 48-bit or 64-bit fields, defined to be an EUI-48 or EUI-64.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The combination of the OUI and Vendor Specific Information fields do not constitute a unique 56-bit identifier.

The OUI differentiates organizations.

The Vendor Specific Information field \_may\_ be used to differentiate amongst a vendor's product models and versions. It is not a serial number or anything like unto a serial number.

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Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P192 L37 # 110  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

OUI is used here for the first time. Should it be spelled out first? It is also seen in Clause 57.4.3.1 196 Line 14 before its spelled out.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace OUI with Organizationally Unique Identifier (OUI)

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change Table 57-4, row "FE", comment column to read "Reserved for Organization Specific Extensions, distinguished by Organizationally Unique Identifier (OUI)."

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P192 L39 # 776  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

In Figure 57-9, figure and header are crowded.

## SuggestedRemedy

Put more space between figure and figure header.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P192 L46 # 594  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Other information TLVs

## SuggestedRemedy

My interpretation of reading this last paragraph is that the "other" Information TLVs can only exist when the Information OAMPDU data field also contains the "Remote" Information TLV. Is this true? If not, please reword

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Yes, this is true. No changes are required.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P196 L16 # 737  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The need for uniqueness of an OUI based identifier is best met by utilizing the EUI-48 or EUI-64 definitions, so that each organization doesn't have to understand the context when assigning such numbers to the requesting division.

## SuggestedRemedy

Revise the OUI and following data, so that this starts with an EUI-48 or EUI-64 value. Otherwise, multi-division organizations will have to define their own subparsing conventions, which is prone to error (some have already happened with Japanese vendors and parts of 1394/AVC that do this type of thing).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

See response to comment #735.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P196 L24 # 738  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The IEEE/RAC defines OUIs as HEX values. Given the confusion between leftmost being first, or the first transmitted bit being first, any descriptions in terms of bits and/or bit ordering should be removed.

## SuggestedRemedy

Eliminate the binary text: the hex values are sufficient.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Figure 57-14 will be modified as follows:

"

| C A E D 8 4 | Sample OUI = AC-DE-48

"

The paragraph below Figure 57-14 will be rewritten as follows:

"The first three octets of the Organization Specific OAMPDU Data field shall contain the Organizationally Unique Identifier (OUI)^3. The format and function of the rest of the Organization Specific OAMPDU Data field is dependent on OUI value and is beyond the scope of this standard."

The following online tutorial was consulted:

<http://standards.ieee.org/regauth/oui/tutorials/lanman.html>

# P802.3ah Draft 3.0 Comments

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P197 L 40 # 739  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Given the inconsistencies/ambiguities of the OUI definitions within 802.3, any definition should be self-contained, not cross referencing something else.

## SuggestedRemedy

Eliminate the OUI cross reference to:

found in IEEE Std 802-2001 Clause 9.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Bullet will be rewritten as follows:

h) OUI. This three-octet field contains the 24-bit Organizationally Unique Identifier and shall be as shown in Table 57-10."

Also, remove other references to IEEE Std 802-2001 Clause 9.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P199 L 23 # 740  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

In many cases (often 802 related), the ordering of bits in the OUI is rather ambiguous. As such, the IEEE/RAC requires that standards clearly define the mappings of an example hex field, as is done in the online tutorials.

## SuggestedRemedy

Show a figure with the classical HEX-value example.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

This table contains the definition of the OUI field. The OUI field, per comment #736, has already been graphically represented in Figure 57-9 to show a classical hex-value example.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P200 L 09 # 741  
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

In many cases (often 802 related), the ordering of bits in the OUI is rather ambiguous. As such, the IEEE/RAC requires that standards clearly define the mappings of an example hex field, as is done in the online tutorials.

## SuggestedRemedy

Show a figure with the classical HEX-value example.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Rather than adding another figure, re-word the bullet as follows:

"c) Organizationally Unique Identifier. This three-octet field shall contain the 24-bit Organizationally Unique Identifier (OUI). See Figure 57-14 for a representation of the encoding of an OUI value."

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.5 P195 L 31 # 136  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Table 57-5: Two instances  
Table 57-6: Two instances  
Table 57-12: Two instances  
Table 57-15: Two instances  
"Reserved for future use - ignored on reception"

Since we define the OAM sublayer and not the OAM client, shouldn't these say, "Reserved - passed to the OAM client"?

## SuggestedRemedy

Change both instances of "Reserved for future use - ignored on reception" to either:

Reserved  
Reserved - passed to the OAM client

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Let's change this to read:

"Reserved for future use - passed to OAM client on reception"

This text will then mimic comment #107.

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CI 57 SC 57.5.1 P196 L 36 # 132  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

I don't think it is clear that the OAM Client does the parsing of the TLVs.

## SuggestedRemedy

Please make it clear that the OAM Client does the parsing of all TLVs.

and

Change "recommendations" to "RECOMMENDATIONS" as it is seen in 57.5.2.11.1 page 177 line 47

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add a sentence to 57.5.1 as follows:

"The OAM client parses OAM TLVs. All OAM TLVs contain a single octet Type field and a single octet Length field. The Length field encompasses the entire TLV including the Type and Length fields. TLV processing should follow these recommendations:"

Per comment #583, the case doesn't strengthen the recommendation.

CI 57 SC 57.5.2 P196 L 51 # 596  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Table 57-6 does not contain the defined TLVs. It contains the defined TLV types.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "Information TLVs" with "Information TLV type values"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.5.2 P197 L 18 # 597  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

wrong word

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "contain" with "describe"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.5.2.2 P197 L 47 # 119  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Wouldn't it be more concise to just say the Remote Information TLV is an exact copy of the remote DTE's Local Information TLV, rather than going through what each of the fields represent for a second time and then saying, "The value of this field shall be copied from the value of the field in the last received Local Information TLV received from this peer?"

## SuggestedRemedy

Change 57.5.2.2 to say something similar to the following:

The Remote Information TLV shall be a copy of the last received Local Information TLV from the remote OAM peer.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.5.2.2 P197 L 53 # 598  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

too many "received"s

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "received Local Information TLV received" with "Local Information TLV received"

The same comment applies to:

page 198, line 51  
page 199, line 41  
page 199, line 44  
page 199, line 47  
page 199, line 50  
page 199, line 53

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Comment #119 greatly simplifies this sub-clause.

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Cl 57 SC 57.5.2.2 P198 L01 # 777  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Tables 57-7, 57-8, 57-9, 57-10 and 57-11 are in the middle of list.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change table properties or move anchors to put after list.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

OAM editor may solicit assistance from 10GBT chair for help.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.2.2 P198 L06 # 109  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Are reserved bits in the Remote Information TLV to be ignored and not transmitted?

It seems that if a remote OAM device sends an Information TLV making use of the reserved bits in the State, OAM, and OAMPDU configuration fields the local device's Remote Information TLV should accurately reflect what its partner sent, and therefore transmit values in the reserved bits.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the Reserved Descriptions in the State, OAM Configuration, and OAMPDU Configuration fields as follows:

In Local Information TLVs, reserved bits shall be set to zero when sending an OAMPDU, and should be ignored on reception for compatibility with future use of reserved bits.

And in the State field for parser action:

11 = Reserved. In Local Information TLVs this value shall not be sent. If the value 11 is received, it shall be ignored and not change the last received value.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.2.2 P198 L20 # 108  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Why are there two reserved fields for the following tables:  
57-4,57-5, 57-6, 57-7, 57-12, 57-15?

and only one reserved field for the following tables:  
57-3, 57-8, 57-9

## SuggestedRemedy

Combine the two reserved fields in all tables into one and assume future editors of the standard will be intelligent enough to leave an expansion placeholder.

Or

Explicitly call out which of the two reserved fields in each table is to be used for the expansion placeholder and add an expansion placeholder for Tables 57-3, 57-8 and 57-9.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Relative to the question posed in the comment:

The reference tables can be grouped into two categories:

- a) field bit mappings
- b) value encodings

In the first category:

- Table 57-3 is the Flags field, which is a fixed 16-bit field within each OAMPDU.
- Table 57-7 is the State field, which is a fixed 8-bit field within Info TLVs
- Table 57-8 is the OAM Configuration field, which is a fixed 8-bit field within Info TLVs
- Table 57-9 is the OAMPDU Configuration field, which is a fixed 16-bit field within Info TLVs
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In the second category:

- Table 57-4 is the encoding of the OAMPDU code field.
- Table 57-5 is the encoding of the OAM remote loopback command.
- Table 57-6 is the encoding of the Information TLV type field.
- Table 57-12 is the encoding of the Link Event TLV type field.
- Table 57-15 is the encoding of the Variable Error field.

Each of the tables in the second category (with the exception of the -15) follows the pattern of including an escape value (0xFF). The tables in the first category may have one or more reserved fields. It is merely incidental if they have two.

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Relative to the suggested remedy:

option 1 - nothing is broken and so the change is not warranted

option 2 - Tables 57-8 and 57-9 are fixed fields within the Info TLVs. If additional space is

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needed, additional Information TLV types could be used in the future. Table 57-3 is the Flags field, a 16-bit fixed field in each and every OAMPDU. Is an expansion placeholder needed here, given the scope of the Flags field and the 9 unused bits?

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.5.2.3**      **P 200**      **L 05**      # **129**  
Braga, Aldobino      UNH-IOL

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
Table 57-12 cross reference should be Table 57-6.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Replace Table 57-12 with Table 57-6 and make the cross reference point to the correct location.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.5.2.3**      **P 200**      **L 05**      # **600**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
wrong reference

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Replace "Table 57-12" with "Table 57-6"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Duplicate of #129.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.5.3**      **P 200**      **L 18**      # **601**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
Table 57-12 does not contain the defined TLVs. It contains the defined TLV types.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Replace "Link Event TLVs" with "Link Event TLV type values"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.5.3**      **P 200**      **L 41**      # **602**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
wrong word

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Replace "contain" with "describe"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.5.3.1**      **P 201**      **L 11**      # **603**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
change wording

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Replace "indicates the number of errored symbols in the period that is required" with "indicates a limit that the number of errored symbols in the period is required"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"This eight-octet field indicates a limit that the number of errored symbols in the period is required to be equal to or greater than in order for the event to be generated, encoded as a 64-bit unsigned integer."

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Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.1 P 201 L 22 # 28  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

This comment is against the general "error running total" field. For all of these fields, we have the sentence "This field does not include X errors during periods in which the number of X errors did not exceed the threshold." That seems to be a pain. Now, we have to keep (a) interval totals, (b) running totals (for MIBs), and (c) running totals that caused event indications. I'd like to see us kill the latter.

## SuggestedRemedy

Make the running totals include intervals where the threshold wasnt exceeded.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The following paragraph:

"This eight-octet field indicates the sum of symbol errors accumulated from all Errored Symbol Period Event TLVs that have been generated since the OAM sublayer was reset. This field does not include symbol errors during periods during which the number of symbol errors did not exceed the threshold."

will be changed to read:

"This eight-octet field indicates the sum of symbol errors since the OAM sublayer was reset. This field does include symbol errors in periods during which the number of symbol errors did not exceed the threshold."

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.1 P 201 L 23 # 604  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

wrong word

## SuggestedRemedy

replace "errors during periods" with "errors in periods"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"This field does not include symbol errors in periods during which the number of symbol errors did not exceed the threshold."

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P 201 L 37 # 605  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

wrong word

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "sublayer and communicated" with "sublayer as communicated"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"Errored frames are frames that had transmission errors as detected at the Media Access Control sublayer as communicated via the reception\_status parameter of the MA\_DATA.indication service primitive."

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P 201 L 49 # 606  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

missing word

## SuggestedRemedy

replace "duration of period" with "duration of the period"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"This two-octet field indicates the duration of the period in terms of 100 ms intervals, encoded as a 16-bit unsigned integer."

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**Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P 202 L 02 # 607**  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
*Comment Type E Comment Status D*  
 change wording  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Replace "indicates the number of detected errored frames in the period that is required" with "indicates a limit that the number of detected errored frames in the period is required"  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
 Sentence will be rewritten as follows:  
 "This four-octet field indicates a limit that the number of detected errored frames in the period is required to be equal to or greater than in order for the event to be generated, encoded as a 32-bit unsigned integer."

**Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P 202 L 10 # 608**  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
*Comment Type E Comment Status D*  
 pluralize  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 replace "frame in the" with "frames in the"  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
 Sentence will be rewritten as follows:  
 "This four-octet field indicates the number of detected errored frames in the period, encoded as a 32-bit unsigned integer."

**Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P 202 L 14 # 609**  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
*Comment Type E Comment Status D*  
 wrong word  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Replace "frames during periods" with "frames in periods"  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
 Sentence will be rewritten as follows:  
 "This field does not include detected errored frames in periods during which the number of frame errors did not exceed the threshold."

**Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.3 P 202 L 24 # 610**  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
*Comment Type E Comment Status D*  
 pluralize  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 replace "frame detected" with "frames detected"  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
 Sentence will be rewritten as follows:  
 "The Errored Frame Period Event TLV counts the number of errored frames detected during the specified period."

**Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.3 P 202 L 25 # 27**  
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks  
*Comment Type T Comment Status D*  
 The second sentence ("The period is specified by the number of minFrameSize frames that can be received in a time interval on the underlying physical layer") doesn't seem right. I thought this was a measurement of the number of fraction of errored frames, period, regardless of link rate or frame size. So, for example, a value of 1,000,000 here and 10 in the threshold would generate an event if >=10 of 1,000,000 frames were in error.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Change 2nd sentence to "The period is specified by a number of received frames. This event is generated if the errored frame count is greater or equal to the specified threshold for that period, for example if greater than or equal to 10 of 1,000,000 frames resulted in errored frames."  
*Proposed Response Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In addition to suggested remedy, swap names of 57.5.3.2 and 57.5.3.3, to read:

"  
 57.5.3.1 Errored Symbol Period Event TLV  
 57.5.3.2 Errored Frame Period Event TLV  
 57.5.3.3 Errored Frame Event TLV  
 "

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**Cl 57**      **SC 57.5.3.3**      **P 202**      **L 28**      # **611**

Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

wrong word

**SuggestedRemedy**

replace "sublayer and communicated" with "sublayer as communicated"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"Errored frames are frames that had transmission errors as detected at the Media Access Control sublayer as communicated via the reception\_status parameter of the MA\_DATA.indication service primitive."

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.5.3.3**      **P 202**      **L 50**      # **612**

Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

change wording

**SuggestedRemedy**

Replace "indicates the number of errored frames in the period that is required" with "indicates a limit that the number of errored frames in the period is required"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"This four-octet field indicates a limit that the number of errored frames in the period is required to be equal to or greater than in order for the event to be generated, encoded as a 32-bit unsigned integer."

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.5.3.3**      **P 203**      **L 08**      # **613**

Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

wrong word

**SuggestedRemedy**

Replace "errors during periods" with "errors in periods"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"This field does not include frame errors during periods during which the number of frame errors did not exceed the threshold."

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.5.3.3**      **P 203**      **L 54**      # **616**

Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

wrong word

**SuggestedRemedy**

Replace "seconds during periods" with "seconds in periods"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"This field does not include errored frame seconds in periods during which the number of errored frame seconds did not exceed the threshold."

**Cl 57**      **SC 57.5.3.4**      **P 203**      **L 23**      # **614**

Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

wrong word

**SuggestedRemedy**

Replace "sublayer and communicated" with "sublayer as communicated"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Sentence will be rewritten as follows:

"Errored frames are frames that had transmission errors as detected at the Media Access Control sublayer as communicated via the reception\_status parameter of the MA\_DATA.indication service primitive."

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<b>Cl 57</b>	<b>SC 57.5.3.4</b>	<b>P 203</b>	<b>L 42</b>	<b># 615</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
change wording				
<b>Suggested Remedy</b>				
Replace "indicates the number of errored frame seconds in the period that is required" with "indicates a limit that the number of errored frame seconds in the period is required"				
<b>Proposed Response</b>	<b>Response Status W</b>			
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				
Sentence will be rewritten as follows:				
"This two-octet field indicates a limit that the number of errored frame seconds in the period is required to be equal to or greater than in order for the event to be generated, encoded as a 16-bit unsigned integer."				

<b>Cl 57</b>	<b>SC 57.6</b>	<b>P 204</b>	<b>L 32</b>	<b># 111</b>
Braga, Aldobino		UNH-IOL		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
"In returning requested variables, an OAM client generates at least one and perhaps additional Variable Response OAMPDU per received Variable Request OAMPDU."				
HOW?				
Is it that a single Variable Container can be split up between one or more Variable Response OAMPDU (assuming the Variable be retrieved is a package or an object)				
Ex.				
VarReq1{A, B, C}				
VarRes1{A, B}, VarRes2{B, C}				
Or				
Is it that the set of Variable Containers can be split up between one or more Variable Response OAMPDU.				
Ex.				
VarReq1{A, B, C}				
VarRes1{A, B}, VarRes2{C}				
<b>Suggested Remedy</b>				
I believe a Variable Container regardless of whether it is a package or an object, cannot be split up between Variable Response OAMPDU. (Hence the "Length of requested Variable Container(s) exceeded OAMPDU data field." error)				
Clarify how this single Request to multiple Responses mechanism works.				
<b>Proposed Response</b>	<b>Response Status W</b>			
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
Per question posed in comment, the answer is the latter.				
The second paragraph in 57.6 will be rewritten as follows:				
"Variable Response OAMPDU, defined in 57.4.3.4, use data structures called Variable Containers (see 57.6.2). Each returned Variable Container resides within a single Variable Response OAMPDU. If a Variable Container does not fit within a Variable Response OAMPDU, an error code is returned. In returning requested variables, an OAM client generates at least one and perhaps additional Variable Response OAMPDU per received Variable Request OAMPDU. The following sections describe the format of Variable Descriptors and Variable Containers."				

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Cl 57	SC 57.6	P 204	L 32	# 617
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
"perhaps additional Variable Response OAMPDUs"				
SuggestedRemedy				
Is there any detail on this? I don't see it discussed anywhere else in the clause. Also, error 0x04 from Table 57-15 suggests that this isn't done.				
Replace "at least one and perhaps additional .. OAMPDUs" with "one .. OAMPDU"				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED REJECT.				
Table 57-15, error 0x04 covers the case where the OAMPDU frame length is less than that required to return a specific variable.				
For instance, Let's say the frame length is set to 128 octets. The variable retrieval process has been merrily returning single 32-bit attributes. Then an object or package greater than 128 octets is requested. The correct error code would be 0x04, since the VarCon can't fit within the Var Res PDU.				
This is different than a request for, say, 20 attributes, that could be returned in 2 VarRes PDUs, with each VarCon fitting within the VarRes PDU.				

Cl 57	SC 57.6.2	P 205	L 03	# 116
Braga, Aldobino		UNH-IOL		
Comment Type	T	Comment Status	D	
Please provide a better description of how Variable Containers work.				
Its not clear to me how they work from simply reading the text. I had to go back to draft version 1.3 to understand how these things are formatted and even then I still don't fully understand how they work.				
Table 57-14 doesn't convey the operation of packages or objects well. When operating with a package, there is one Branch, one Leaf, but then for each attribute a width & value pair (unless there is an error). This is still considered a single Variable Container. I don't think that's intuitive from the table.				
I don't really know how objects work; I haven't seen an example of one. Are they similar to packages?				
SuggestedRemedy				
Please				
a) Clear this up with a paragraph or two				
b) Create an informative annex with examples of attributes, packages, objects, and the previous three each with errors.				
I'd settle for just the annex but both would be better.				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
See response to comment #117.				

Cl 57	SC 57.6.2	P 205	L 30	# 285
Gerhardt, Floyd		Cisco Systems, Inc.		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
Table 57-15 Variable Error Indications seems to need some introductory text before the table itself (after Table 57-14).				
SuggestedRemedy				
I will leave it to our esteemed editor for final text, but perhaps something along the lines of:				
If a DTE is unable to retrieve one or more variables the Variable Container is used to return the appropriate Variable Error for the particular attribute(s). The Variable Error Indications are defined in Table 57-15.				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

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Cl 57 SC 57.6.2 P 205 L 38 # 113  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

0x02 | Requested attribute was unable to be returned as the requested variable is not supported by the local DTE.

This particular error is confusing. When "requested variable" is mentioned, is the subject still the attribute or perhaps a package that contains said attribute?

## SuggestedRemedy

Please change error to read:

0x02 | Requested attribute was unable to be returned because it is not supported by the local DTE.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.6.2 P 205 L 42 # 112  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

0x04 | Length of requested Variable Container(s) exceeded OAMPDU data field.

This particular error seems generic, as it is equally appropriate for attributes, packages, and objects. It should be removed from the center of error codes dealing specifically with attributes.

## SuggestedRemedy

Move:

0x04 | Length of requested Variable Container(s) exceeded OAMPDU data field. Such that it is error code 0x00 or 0x01 or 0xFF

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

0x04 will be moved to 0x01.  
0x01-0x03 will be bumped.

Cl 57 SC 57.6.2 P 205 L 48 # 114  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

0x07 | Requested object was unable to be returned due to an undetermined error.  
0x08 | Requested package was unable to be returned due to an undetermined error.

These don't seem to be enough errors codes to fully understand what might be happening at the remote device. All error codes that an attribute may report that makes sense for a package or object should also be reported.

## SuggestedRemedy

Please change Table 57-15 to read:

...

0x07 | Requested object was unable to be returned due to an undetermined error.  
0x08 | Requested object was unable to be returned because it is not supported by the local DTE.

0x09 | Requested object may have been corrupted due to reset.

0x0A | Requested object unable to be returned due to a hardware failure.

0x0B | Requested package was unable to be returned due to an undetermined error.

0x0C | Requested package was unable to be returned because it is not supported by the local DTE.

0x0D | Requested package may have been corrupted due to reset.

0x0E | Requested package unable to be returned due to a hardware failure.

0x0F-7F | Reserved

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 57	SC 57.6.4	P 206	L 23	# 117
Braga, Aldobino		UNH-IOL		
Comment Type	T	Comment Status	D	
Is a variable branch/leaf example table necessary?				
This table alone doesn't help me understand how Variable Descriptors/Containers work. Examples of the OAMPDUs with multiple Variable Descriptors/Containers in addition to this table would be better.				
SuggestedRemedy				
Please either:				
a) remove table 57-16				
b) Add examples of OAMPDUs with Variable Descriptors/Containers to help clarify. Possibly in an Annex? The ones in draft 1.3 are a good start but more examples would be nice. Examples of objects would also be beneficial.				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
The OAM STF, in Albuquerque, Nov 2003, decided not to remove Table 57-16.				
The OAM Editor proposes an informative annex 57A, which would contain sample Variable Request OAMPDUs and Variable Response OAMPDUs. This new annex would leverage the pictures from D1.3.				

Cl 57	SC 57.7.3.1	P208	L 42	# 120
Braga, Aldobino		UNH-IOL		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
In clause 57.2.9 this is the following shall statement: "When OAM is enabled, a DTE capable of both Active and Passive mode shall select either Active or Passive."				
There is no PICS entry for this shall statement				
SuggestedRemedy				
Add PICS entry for the mentioned statement.				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED REJECT.				
Isn't this covered with PICS entries ACTV and PASS found in 57.7.2.3?				

Cl 57	SC 57.7.3.3	P 210	L 28	# 123
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL				
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
PICS entry PDU9 doesn't accurately reflect the shall statement in the document located ate 57.4.3.2				
The value/comment should state that the sequence number is the first two bytes.				
SuggestedRemedy				
Change the value/comments section to read:The first two bytes of the Data field contain a Sequence Number encoded as an unsigned 16-bit integer				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				
Cl 57	SC 57.7.3.3	P 210	L 53	# 124
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL				
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
Missing PICS: referencing 57.4.3.6				
The statement, "The first three octets of the Organization Specific OAMPDU Data field shall contain the Organizationally Unique Identifier (OUI)," does not have a PICS entry				
SuggestedRemedy				
Add PICS entry PDU18 that describes the mentioned statement.				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
Add PICS entry PDU18 as follows:				
PDU18				
"Organization Specific OAMPDU Organizationally Unique Identifier field"				
"Contains 24-bit Organizationally Unique Identifier"				

<i>Cl</i> 57	<i>SC</i> 57.7.3.5	<i>P</i> 212	<i>L</i> 13	# 126
Braga, Aldobino		UNH-IOL		
<i>Comment Type</i>	<b>E</b>	<i>Comment Status</i>	<b>D</b>	
The value/comment section mentions a "Version" field. I believe its called the "OAM Version" field.				
<i>SuggestedRemedy</i>				
Please change Version to "OAM Version" field.				
<i>Proposed Response</i>	<i>Response Status</i>		<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

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CI 57 SC 57.7.3.6 P 213 L 01 # 778  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Table will fit on page 212.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change heading properties to permit heading and table to fit on page 212.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.7.4 P 214 L 38 # 125  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing PICS: referencing 57.5.3.5

The statement, "This three-octet field shall contain a 24-bit Organizationally Unique Identifier," does not have a PICS entry.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS entry ET6 that describes the mentioned statement.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add PICS entry ET6 as follows:

"ET6"

"Organization Specific Event Organizationally Unique Identifier field"

"Contains 24-bit Organizationally Unique Identifier"

CI 57 SC 57.7.6 P 215 L 35 # 122  
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing PICS

Table 57-3 also has another "reserved" related shall statement.

"Reserved. This value shall not be sent if the value 0x3 is received, it shall be ignored and not change the last received value."

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS entry for the mentioned statement.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add entry RB2, as follows:

"RB2"

"Reserved encoding"

"This value shall not be sent if the value 0x3 is received, it shall be ignored and not change the last received value."

Bump RB2-RB4.

CI 57 SC 57-11 P 199 L 35 # 26  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status D

I received 2 emails asking if the vendor specific info should be different for different software images. Should probably clarify this in the text.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change "models/versions" to "product models and hardware revisions".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The usage of the field is left up to the vendor.

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Cl 57 SC Figure 57-14 P196 L 12 # 595  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Bit ordering is wrong

## SuggestedRemedy

Your example appears to come from Figure 8 in Clause 9 of 802-2001. However, this example clearly shows that the LSB/MSB labels in the upper half of their figure then a table representation in the lower half. There is a clear mapping from LSB to bit ordering: the LSB is on the right.

In Ethernet, LSB maps to bit 0. In 57.4.1 b), "Within an octet, bits are shown with bit 0 to the left and bit 7 to the right." Therefore, your representation, though it maps to 802-2001's Figure 9, doesn't follow your own description of bit 0 on the left. Your figure shows bit 0 on the right. Swap the bit order of these octets or change the description in 57.4.1 b).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The figure will be modified to swap the order of the bits, to read:

"

0011 0101

0111 1011

0001 0010

Sample OUI = AC-DE-48

"

Cl 57 SC Figure 57-5 P184 L 07 # 23  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The state diagram does not reflect the fact that the local\_link\_status must be OK for the transitions to active\_send\_local and PASSIVE\_WAIT.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the transitions from LINK\_FAULT to be and AND with local\_link\_status=OK

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

It does not need to. As long as any of the "reset" conditions are present:

- BEGIN
- local\_lost\_link\_timer\_done=TRUE
- local\_link\_status=FAIL

the LINK\_FAULT state will not be exited.

Cl 57 SC Figure 57-6 P186 L 15 # 591  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Unnecessary transition

## SuggestedRemedy

The transition from WAIT\_FOR\_TX back to the same state is unnecessary. It isn't like there's some event that occurs upon entry that needs to keep happening. Remove this transition.

In addition, remove 57.3.3.1.4, which describes this unnecessary transition

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See comment #134, which separates the Multiplexer into two. This change will occur on the redrawn Multiplexer and the new Control state diagram.

Cl 57 SC Figure 57-6 P186 L 26 # 819  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The OAM layer is optional in EPONs. When implemented in an EPON, then the uni-dir bit is set to TRUE, which then forces the OAM layer to discard all MAC frames and only pass OAM frames. See exit from state CHECK\_PHY+LINK with terms local\_unidirectional=TRUE.

## SuggestedRemedy

Discuss how to add another bit which specifically passes MAC frames.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Is the issue being raised here really captured in comment #216? If so, propose the remedy suggested in #216 be accepted.

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Cl 57 SC table 57-9 P199 L 12 # 12  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
We should make it clear that (a) stations use the minimum of the local/remote max OAMPDU sizes, and (b) they don't have to change their configuration value in PDUs after its negotiated.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add: "The OAMPDUs transmitted by a DTE are limited by both the local DTE Maximum OAMPDU size and the remote DTE's Maximum OAMPDU size as indicated in received Information OAMPDUs. A DTE is not required to change the value transmitted in this field after negotiation to an agreed size as each end will dynamically determine the correct maximum OAMPDU size to use."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC Table 57-9 P199 L 16 # 599  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
missing comma

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "maxUntaggedFrameSize which is" with "maxUntaggedFrameSize, which is"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 58 SC 58.1 P218 L 4 # 779  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Reach doesn't have to be long.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the word "long".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 58 SC 58.1 P218 L 40 # 781  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D attn  
The word "may" implies "may not".

## SuggestedRemedy

Change last sentence to read:  
Implementations may be declared as compliant over one or both complete temperature ranges.

Also applies to 59.1, page 256, line 44; and 60.1, page 286, line 24.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Needs discussion - this could amount to a technical change. The current options are none, one or both, not just one or both. I think "may" implies "may not" only if there is no choice presented by the "may". Here there is, so we need to mention the third option.

Cl 58 SC 58.1 P218 L 9 # 780  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Sentence is very disjointed and needs better clarification.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change second sentence of paragraph to read:  
A 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10 PHY (physical layer) device is a combination of a 100BASE-X PCS and PMA with the respective PMD. If the optional OAM is being used, the 100BASE-X PCS and PMA in Clause 66 shall be integrated; otherwise, the Clause 24 100BASE-X PCS and PMA shall be integrated. The management functions may be accessible through the optional Management Interface.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. The sentence will be restructured. It is not yet clear if we need 'shall' statements here. Text needs to be consistent with other clauses.

Cl 58 SC 58.1.3 P219 L 33 # 782  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Do not use the term "Subclause".

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the word "Subclause" in this subclause.

Also applies to 59.1.3 and 60.1.3.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Apply to all optics clauses.

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**Cl 58**      **SC 58.1.4**      **P219**      **L 54**      # **783**

Booth, Brad      Intel

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

Keep the line with the corresponding list.

**SuggestedRemedy**

As per comment.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

Changes will be made upon final assembly of the document.

**Cl 58**      **SC 58.10**      **P248**      **L 53**      # **316**

Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

I think 'ITU' should be 'ITU-T' to distinguish it from ITU-R.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Change 'ITU' to 'ITU-T' here and in second line of 58.10.2.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 58**      **SC 58.11**      **P251**      **L**      # **1**

Murphy, Tom      Infineon

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **D**

There are deviations in the PICS of all three optics clauses.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Fix the PICS based on suggestion in a file which will be provided by the commenter

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.PICS are subject to further changes based on other comments in the D3.0 database pending discussion at the meeting.

**Cl 58**      **SC 58.11.3.4**      **P253**      **L 39**      # **357**

Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

LX10 should be

**SuggestedRemedy**

BX10

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See also response to comment #1

**Cl 58**      **SC 58.11.3.5**      **P254**      **L 12**      # **400**

Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

We can simplify this value/comment in line with the others.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Change 'Performed in accordance with the requirements of' to 'According to'.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See also response to comment #1

**Cl 58**      **SC 58.2**      **P220**      **L 47**      # **325**

Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **TR**      **Comment Status**    **D**

These clause 45 registers are for 10G or EFM electrical PMA/PMDs, and do not apply to 100M PMDs. We haven't heard a demand that the 100M register set needs enhancement for 100BASE-LX10 or 100BASE-BX10. Some registers for the PHY as a whole (reset, remote fault, link status) already exist in clause 22. If we wanted a register to distinguish U from D, we could use 10.14, MASTER-SLAVE configuration resolution, but would it be useful?

**SuggestedRemedy**

Unless these 10G registers become applicable to 100M, delete subclause 58.2.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT. See comment 327

**Cl 58**      **SC 58.2**      **P220**      **L 49**      # **442**

Law, David      3Com

**Comment Type**    **TR**      **Comment Status**    **D**

The 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10 PHYs are not supported by the Clause 45 register set, only the Clause 22 register set, so the Clause 45 register bits specified here will not be present.

If the functions described here are required they will need to be moved the Clause 22 extension register specified in subclause 45.2.8. One function that will need special consideration however is the Reset function (PMD\_reset) and its interaction with the existing Clause 22 Reset bit (0.15).

**SuggestedRemedy**

Move the specified functions to registers bits within the Clause 22 extension register. Update subclause 45.2.8 as required.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See response to comment #325.

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*Cl* **58**      *SC* **58.2**                      *P* **220**                      *L* **54**                      # **784**  
Booth, Brad                                      Intel

*Comment Type*    **E**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Missing period at end of note.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add period.

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment #325.

*Cl* **58**      *SC* **58.2.1.1**                      *P* **229**                      *L* **18**                      # **288**  
Paul Fitzgerald                                      Circadian Systems

*Comment Type*    **T**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Use of the Optical frame based test pattern of 58.8.1.1 will lead to a broadcast storm and take down the Ethernet network. This pattern is too dangerous to imbed into low-cost test equipment that could be used in the field. It is a recipe for malicious hacking.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Use valid 100BASE-X signal.

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. We need to understand the issues better. The commenter is encouraged to present evidence that the current format will cause a problem.

A detailed presentation is in order before major changes to the draft are made.

*Cl* **58**      *SC* **58.3.4**                      *P* **222**                      *L* **48**                      # **785**  
Booth, Brad                                      Intel

*Comment Type*    **E**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Keep Table 58-4 on one page.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change table properties.

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

Changes will be made upon final assembly of the document.

*Cl* **58**      *SC* **58.7**                      *P* **228**                      *L* **13**                      # **346**  
Dawe, Piers                                      Agilent

*Comment Type*    **T**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

The jitter sections need to be tied together and have their terminology aligned.

*SuggestedRemedy*

In table 58-10, insert '(W)' after 'High probability jitter'. W in italics. Make the table full width.

Change 'DJ' to 'W' twice.

Add extra words 'NOTE - As an example, TJ10....'.

Add sentence saying that 'W is similar but not necessarily identical to deterministic jitter (DJ)'.

Refer to 58.8.12, note that there are other jitter measurement methods.

Add sentence 'Jitter at TP2 or TP3 is defined with a receiver of the same bandwidth as specified for the transmitted eye.'

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT. Make consistent across optics clauses.

*Cl* **58**      *SC* **58.8.1**                      *P* **230**                      *L* **28**                      # **320**  
Dawe, Piers                                      Agilent

*Comment Type*    **T**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

The test patterns have at least two flaws:

The example patterns do not make valid frames; the length/type is 05FF hex or 1535, while the maximum allowed length (and the length in these tables) is 1500; and:

It is very hard to understand how many idles there are at the start of table 58-13. I think the intention is that the table should contain as many octets as table 58-12, and each frame should be separated from its neighbour by 14 octets, two more than the minimum 12.

Thanks to Tom Dineen for pointing out these issues.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Make necessary changes to length/type. Change octet immediately following length/type as necessary to make the polarity flipping work with recalculated FCSs. Explain and/or change third row of table 58-13. Change all eight FCSs and make any other consequent changes.

Delete the following note at p229 line 37: 'NOTE - Not all field values constitute valid values for correct network operation.'

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 58 SC 58.8.11.3 P 245 L 51 # 290  
Paul Fitzgerald Circadiant Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status D

A false BER value can be obtained if the user does not wait long enough. There could be one or more frequency steps that has a problem.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add words that say to first locate the jitter point that contributes to the worst BER, then make measurements there.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT. If the implementer wants to do it that way it's up to him, but knowledge of which point contributes to the worst BER is not necessary - all that is needed is to comply at all the points.

Cl 58 SC 58.8.12 P 246 L 47 # 399  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

It will help the reader to be reminded (told) that the receiver has a controlled bandwidth.

## SuggestedRemedy

Before last sentence on page, insert: 'Note that the receiver includes a defined filter function.'

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 58 SC 58.8.2 P 232 L 3 # 347  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Now we have some good boilerplate we should use it throughout the test procedures. We can let TIA decide what the instrument is called.

## SuggestedRemedy

'The wavelength and spectral width (RMS) shall meet specifications according to ANSI/EIA/TIA-455-127, under ...'  
Similarly in clauses 59 and 60.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 58 SC 58.8.4 P 232 L 17 # 439  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Please clarify under what conditions the Extinction ratio has to be measured by including the conditions with the scope of the shall statement.

I have submitted a similar comment for 59.9.4 and 60.8.4.

## SuggestedRemedy

Suggest this subclause be changed to read:

Extinction ratio shall be measured using the methods specified in ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A with the port transmitting the 4B/5B NRZI encoded idle (1010....) pattern that may be interspersed with a maximum of 10 OAM packets a second and with minimal back reflections into the transmitter, lower than -20 dB. The extinction ratio is expected to be similar for other valid balanced NRZI encoded 4B/5B bit streams.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Change to 'Extinction ratio shall meet specifications according to ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A with the port transmitting the 4B/5B NRZI encoded idle (1010....) pattern that may be interspersed with OAM packets per 43B.2 and with minimal back reflections into the transmitter, lower than -20 dB. The extinction ratio is expected to be similar for other valid balanced NRZI encoded 4B/5B bit streams.

Cl 58 SC 58.8.7.3 P 235 L 13 # 333  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Should specify the base of the logarithm here as elsewhere.

## SuggestedRemedy

Insert subscript 10 after 'log'. Also in equation 58-13.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 58 SC 58.8.8 P 236 L 53 # 330  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Need to make the text more general to allow for use in other clauses.

## SuggestedRemedy

Insert new material at beginning of sentence:  
'For 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10, the eye is measured ...'.  
Add a new sentence and change 'this' to 'the':  
'... there specified. Receiver responses for other PMD types are specified in the appropriate clause. The Bessel-Thomson receiver is not intended ...'.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 58 SC 58.8.9.3 P 239 L 49 # 339  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Here we need to explain that for 100BASE-xX10, S may have to be measured with a more benign pattern.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add sentences:

For 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10, TDP includes a pattern dependent penalty. As it may be inconvenient or impossible to obtain reference transmitters and receivers which are immune to this penalty, for these cases S may be measured with a benign pattern e.g. PRBS7.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 58 SC Figure 58-9 P 245 L 22 # 398  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Figure is somewhat misleading.

## SuggestedRemedy

A0 should go between the inner inflections of the next to lightest grey. What is now labelled A0 should be labelled 'OMA'. Other 'OMA' should stay.

Footnote them:

'The measure of OMA on the eye of the conformance test signal differs between 100BASE-X, 1000BASE-X and 10GBASE-R/W'.

Add another footnote, to AN, 'This is also OMA for 10GBASE-R/W.'

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 58 SC Table 58-11 P 229 L 10 # 820  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Text is

Idle (1010S for 4B/5B NRZI)

Which implies that the idle pattern is a repeating "1010". However, the idle pattern is "10101" which would repeat as "10101\_10101\_10101".

## SuggestedRemedy

Change text to 10101.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Within the PMD, the 100BASE-X pattern is alternating 1 and 0, not 10101\_10101\_10101. Either extend to 'Idle (1010... for 4B/5B NRZI encoded 100BASE-X)' or shorten to just 'Idle'.

Cl 58 SC Table 58-11 P 229 L 12 # 287  
Paul Fitzgerald Circadian Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Use of the Optical frame based test pattern of 58.8.1.1 will lead to a broadcast storm and take down the Ethernet network. This pattern is too dangerous to imbed into low-cost test equipment that could be used in the field. It is a recipe for malicious hacking.

## SuggestedRemedy

Substitute with Valid 100BASE-X signal.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See comment 288

Cl 58 SC Table 58-5 P 224 L 16 # 289  
Paul Fitzgerald Circadian Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The TDP test is not achieving widespread support.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change to a Path Penalty Test with a minimum specified amount of dispersion in the test fiber.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT. See comment 296

Cl 58A SC 58A P 555 L 41 # 409  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

I would like to remove two 'conventional's because what's conventional is what each reader is used to, and may vary.

## SuggestedRemedy

Delete 'conventional' here and on line 54

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 58A SC 58A P 556 L 14 # 410  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing a comma

## SuggestedRemedy

'When testing transmitter outputs, frames'

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 58A**      **SC 58A**                      **P 556**      **L 19**      # **411**

Dawe, Piers                      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **T**              **Comment Status**    **D**

A wrinkle

**SuggestedRemedy**

Add another sentence: In the case of 100BASE-X, the output bit stream may be inverted.

**Proposed Response**              **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 58A**      **SC 58A**                      **P 556**      **L 19**      # **436**

Law, David                      3Com

**Comment Type**    **E**              **Comment Status**    **D**                      *attn*

The term BERT is defined as a Bit Error Ratio Tester (not Rate) in subclause 1.5 of IEEE Std 802.3ae-2003 upon which IEEE P802.3ah is built.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Either change the text 'Bit Error Rate Tester (BERT)' to read 'Bit Error Ratio Tester (BERT)' or alternatively just change the text to read '.. BERT ..' as definition for the term is already provided in subclause 1.5.

**Proposed Response**              **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

**Cl 59**      **SC 59**                      **P 255**      **L 1**      # **236**

Lynskey, Eric                      UNH-IOL

**Comment Type**    **E**              **Comment Status**    **D**

Adjust tables in clause so they don't break across page boundaries.

**SuggestedRemedy**

See comment.

**Proposed Response**              **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT. This is an artifact of the formatting and will be fixed upon assebbly of the final document

**Cl 59**      **SC 59.1**                      **P 256**      **L 7**      # **786**

Booth, Brad                      Intel

**Comment Type**    **TR**              **Comment Status**    **D**

Second sentence of second paragraph is very disjointed.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Change second sentence of paragraph to read:  
A 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-BX10 PHY (physical layer) device is a combination of a 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA with the respective PMD. If the optional OAM is being used, the 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA in Clause 66 shall be integrated; otherwise, the Clause 36 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA shall be integrated. The management functions may be accessible through the optional Management Interface.

**Proposed Response**              **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See 780

**Cl 59**      **SC 59.1**                      **P 256**      **L 8**      # **220**

Lynskey, Eric                      UNH-IOL

**Comment Type**    **E**              **Comment Status**    **D**                      *attn*

Need to add cross references to the clauses and subclauses listed here.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Add cross references.

**Proposed Response**              **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 59**      **SC 59.1.3**                      **P 257**      **L 43**      # **221**

Lynskey, Eric                      UNH-IOL

**Comment Type**    **E**              **Comment Status**    **D**

Need to add cross references to subclause 59.1.3.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Add cross references.

**Proposed Response**              **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

# P802.3ah Draft 3.0 Comments

Cl 59 SC 59.11 P 276 L 34 # 350  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

I think 'ITU' should be 'ITU-T' to distinguish it from ITU-R.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change 'ITU' to 'ITU-T' here and in second line of 59.11.2.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.11 P 276 L 34 # 243  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

References to table 59-18 and table 59-1 not linked. Also need reference to table 59-1 on line 47 of same page.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.11.3 P 277 L 41 # 244  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Two references to table 59-1 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.11.5 P 278 L 17 # 353  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The reference to IEC 61754-1 seems to apply to ferrule tolerances only when there are other tolerances and mechanical features that must be controlled. In particular, it is not widely enough known that a patchcord allowing SMF grade tolerances (which this is close to) allows the two ferrules in a connector to move relative to each other, at least at the equipment connector - this may be different from pure MMF connector practice. As I understand it, the reference addresses this.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the sentence to 'Patch cord connectors for the single-mode-to-multimode offset launch shall have single-mode tolerances, float and other mechanical requirements according to IEC 61754-1.'

Add:

'NOTE - It is important that connectors with the appropriate tolerances have some float or compliance, generally achieved by a yoke with two separate connector barrels, to allow both the ferrules to come properly into alignment with the two bores of the receptacle. IEC 61754-1 defines a connector interface standard that includes the dimensional requirements of the ferrules, plugs, receptacles, and active device receptacles. It includes both the simplex and duplex cases. Positional tolerances, maximum force limits, or requirements for float are given to ensure that the ferrule can be mated to another connector or an active device receptacle without damage to either.'

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Text to be added - The IEC 61754-1 provides the necessary float tolerances for duplex connection to the active device receptacle - will also incorporate "Patch cord connectors for the single-mode-to-multimode offset launch shall have single-mode tolerances, float and other mechanical requirements according to IEC 61754-1"

Cl 59 SC 59.11.5 P 278 L 53 # 245  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-19 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 59 SC 59.12 P 280 L # 2  
Murphy, Tom Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Differences in PICS between optics clauses

## SuggestedRemedy

Fix the PICS based on file which is to be provided by the commenter

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See comment 1

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3 P 281 L 15 # 255  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Items \*BX-D and \*BX-U should be changed to \*BXD and \*BXU to match up with the rest of the PICS.

## SuggestedRemedy

See comment.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. There are other comments addressing the PICS - see #2

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3 P 281 L 15 # 246  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Two references to table 59-7 are not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references and adjust column size so that table name is not split across two lines.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.1 P 282 L 18 # 247  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-4 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.2 P 282 L 25 # 248  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-5 and two references to table 59-7 are not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.3 P 282 L 42 # 249  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-8 and two references to table 59-9 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.3 P 282 L 45 # 360  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Stressed sensitivity isn't mandatory here.

## SuggestedRemedy

Delete 'mandatory' in Value/Comment column here (BDX3) and next page (BUX3).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.4 P 283 L 5 # 250  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-8 and two references to table 59-9 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.4 P 283 L 5 # 254  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing subclause in BXU1.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add and link 59.5.1.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. There are other comments addressing the PICS - see #2

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.5 P 283 L 14 # 251  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-13, figure 59-4, and subclause 60.8.9 not linked.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.5 P 283 L 14 # 253  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing subclauses in OM1, OM4, OM6, and OM7.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add and link the following subclauses:  
OM1 - 59.9  
OM4 - 59.9.3  
OM6 - 59.9.8  
OM7 - 59.9.9

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. There are other comments addressing the PICS - see #2

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.5 P 283 L 26 # 328  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Duplication, spelling, material not in clause. I assume the TIA document mentions the filtering receiver?

Change 'Per ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A using patch cable per 59.9.8 using forth-order Bessel-Thomson filter and patch cable per 59.9' to:

*SuggestedRemedy*

Per ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A using patch cable per 59.9, minimal back reflections and fourth-order Bessel-Thomson receiver

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.5 P 283 L 30 # 329  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Blank column s/b 59.9.8. Hanging 'per'. I assume the TIA document mentions the filtering receiver?

Change 'Using fourth-order Bessel-Thomson filter per , using patch cable per 59.9' to:

*SuggestedRemedy*

Per 58.8.8 and ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A using patch cable per 59.9 and fourth-order Bessel-Thomson receiver

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. There are other comments addressing the PICS - see #2

Cl 59 SC 59.12.3.7 P 284 L 24 # 252  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-1 not linked.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 59**      **SC 59.12.3.8**      **P 284**      **L 42**      **# 383**

Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

Right reference?

**SuggestedRemedy**

Change 61754-4 [B25] to 61754-1 as in text.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 59**      **SC 59.2**      **P 259**      **L 6**      **# 326**

Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **TR**      **Comment Status**    **D**

These clause 45 registers are for 10G or EFM electrical PMA/PMDs, and do not apply to 1G PMDs. We haven't heard a specific demand that the 1G register set needs enhancement for 1000BASE-LX10 or 1000BASE-BX10. Some registers for the PHY as a whole (reset, remote fault, link status) already exist in clause 22. If we wanted a register to distinguish U from D, we could use 10.14, MASTER-SLAVE configuration resolution, but would it be useful?

**SuggestedRemedy**

Unless these 10G registers become applicable to 1G, delete subclause 59.2.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See 327

**Cl 59**      **SC 59.2**      **P 259**      **L 8**      **# 443**

Law, David      3Com

**Comment Type**    **TR**      **Comment Status**    **D**

The 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-BX10 PHYs are not supported by the Clause 45 register set, only the Clause 22 register set, so the Clause 45 register bits specified here will not be present.

If the functions described here are required they will need to be moved the Clause 22 extension register specified in subclause 45.2.8. One function that will need special consideration however is the Reset function (PMD\_reset) and its interaction with the existing Clause 22 Reset bit (0.15).

**SuggestedRemedy**

Move the specified functions to registers bits within the Clause 22 extension register. Update subclause 45.2.8 as required.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See 327

**Cl 59**      **SC 59.3.4**      **P 260**      **L 49**      **# 222**

Lynskey, Eric      UNH-IOL

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

Need to add cross reference to table 59-4.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Add cross reference.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 59**      **SC 59.4**      **P 261**      **L 26**      **# 223**

Lynskey, Eric      UNH-IOL

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

Within subclause 59.4, there are two references to table 59-1 and one reference to table 59-7 that are not linked.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Add cross references.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 59**      **SC 59.4.1**      **P 261**      **L 35**      **# 224**

Lynskey, Eric      UNH-IOL

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

Within subclause 59.4.1 there are three references to table 59-5 and one to table 59-6 that are not linked.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Add cross references.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 59**      **SC 59.4.1**      **P 262**      **L 10**      **# 5**

Murphy, Tom      Infineon

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

change e to epsilon

**SuggestedRemedy**

see comment

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 59 SC 59.4.1 P 263 L 17 # 8  
Murphy, Tom Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The transmitter reflectance specification is superfluous for EFM PMDs (Note that 100M PMDs do not have this specification.) This restraint can have yield impacts for non-angle-polished design optics with corresponding cost impact. Link budget calculations show a worst case power penalty difference of 0.1 dB between Refl Tx = -12 dB and Refl Tx = -10 dB, and 1 dB between Refl Tx = -12 dB and REfl Tx = 0 dB( ORL =-10 dB ~ 30% laser front face reflectivity, 30% couple efficiency. ORL 0 dB = 100% reflectivity, 100% couple efficiency)

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the Transmitter reflectance line from Tables 59-5 and 59-8

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. It may be better to relax the value rather than remove completely. Value of -10 dB suggested. Will discuss further at meeting.

Cl 59 SC 59.4.2 P 261 L 50 # 359  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Wrong font for first 'T'.

SuggestedRemedy

Reapply style.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.4.2 P 261 L 51 # 358  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Footnote b is in error; stressed sensitivity is not optional for 1000BASE-LX10.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove footnote b.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.4.2 P 261 L 52 # 225  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-7 is not linked.

SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.5 P 265 L 25 # 226  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Two references to table 59-1 that are not linked.

SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.5.1 P 265 L 35 # 227  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Two references to table 59-8 that are not linked.

SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.5.2 P 265 L 47 # 229  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-9 not linked.

SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 59 SC 59.6 P 265 L 53 # 228  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Reference to table 59-10 not linked.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 59 SC 59.7 P 266 L 38 # 230  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Reference to table 59-11 not linked.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 59 SC 59.7 P 266 L 54 # 348  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
The jitter sections need to be tied together and have their terminology aligned. The proposed remedy harmonizes with C58, Table 58-10.

SuggestedRemedy  
Consider if DJ should be replaced by W here and in 59.8.  
Add sentence saying that 'W is similar but not necessarily identical to deterministic jitter (DJ)'.  
Refer to 59.9.12 and 59.9.13, note that there are other jitter measurement methods.  
Add sentence 'Jitter at TP2 or TP3 is defined with a receiver of the same bandwidth as specified for the transmitted eye.'  
Maybe 59.9.13 is a good place to elaborate on DJ and W.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See related comment

CI 59 SC 59.7 P 267 L 36 # 385  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D attn  
It would be nice to have a single jitter subclause here, 59.7, with two sub-subclauses, for MMF and SMF.

SuggestedRemedy  
Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. The exact format will be discussed at the meeting

CI 59 SC 59.7 P 267 L 40 # 354  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
This sub-clause does not specify use of a receiver filter when measuring optical jitter of an optical signal (at TP2 and TP3). If the reader is aware of the jitter measurement section elsewhere, and persistently drills into the cross-references there, he may get there in the end, but otherwise could be misinformed.

SuggestedRemedy  
In 59.7 and 59.8, refer to jitter measurement sections 59.9.12 and 58.8.12. In 58.8.12 and 59.9.12, mention the filter.  
Check 58 and 60 for similar issue, fix if necessary.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Need to clarify text at meeting

CI 59 SC 59.8 P 266 L 43 # 344  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Uneven font size in title.

SuggestedRemedy  
Reapply style to title.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 59 SC 59.8 P 266 L 46 # 231  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-12 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 59 SC 59.8 P 268 L 26 # 322  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

I have not calculated the jitter delta numbers in table 59-12 in the same way as table 59-11.

## SuggestedRemedy

I think the TJ entries, to 3 significant figures, should be

TP1 to TP2 0.334 UI 267 ps

TP2 to TP3 0.119 UI 95 ps

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 59 SC 59.9 P 269 L 22 # 219  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

There should be some statement about the amount of allowable minimum interpacket gap sent between each test frame. For the tests to provide accurate measurements, this gap should be kept as small as possible.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a statement or note near Table 59-14 that states that the packets should be sent with as small an interpacket gap as possible.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See comment 363

CI 59 SC 59.9 P 270 L 1 # 218  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

It will be much easier to create the test frames if you do not have to worry about the running disparity at the end of the first portion of the MAC client data. Recommend that the test patterns are repeated within each frame so that within each frame you will see the proper test pattern once.

## SuggestedRemedy

In Table 59-14, change the number of bytes in the second portion of MAC Client Data to 456. Remove footnote a. Change tables 59-15 and 59-16 according to the document previously submitted by Jerry Radcliffe. This basically takes each test pattern, sends it once, flips the disparity, and sends it again.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 59 SC 59.9.1 P 268 L 52 # 232  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Two references to clause 59, one to table 59-13, and one to table 59-14 are not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 59 SC 59.9.1 P 269 L 36 # 234  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

In table 59-14, two references to table 59-15 are not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 59 SC 59.9.1 P 269 L 43 # 235  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Word is split on two lines with a figure between two halves or word.

## SuggestedRemedy

Adjust figure position so it doesn't come between to parts of the word minimal, as split on lines 19 and 43.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT. Will look at the anchor point of this table

Cl 59 SC 59.9.1 P 269 L 44 # 233  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to table 59-15 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.9.1 P 270 L 27 # 356  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

From Eric Lynskey:  
Table 59-16 does not have 228 octets of data, as is shown in Table 59-14 and 59-15.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add extra octets or change text so that the jitter test frame doesn't need all of them.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See comment 217

Cl 59 SC 59.9.10 P 273 L 24 # 238  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Reference to 58.8.9 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.9.11 P 273 L 27 # 239  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

References to table 59-7, table 59-9, and 58.8.10 are not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.9.12 P 273 L 36 # 401  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Trying to reconcile two competing jitter procedure specs.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change 'All total jitter measurements should' to 'Total jitter measurements may'.' Change 'A.4.2. See also' to 'A.4.2 or according to'.

In 59.8.13, change title to 'Deterministic or high probability jitter measurement (informative)'. Change 'Deterministic jitter should' to 'Deterministic jitter may'. Extend the first sentence thus: '18

A.4.3, DJ Measurement, or high probability jitter may be measured according to 58.8.12.'.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.9.12 P 273 L 42 # 240  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

References to table 59-7 and table 59-9 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 59 SC 59.9.12 P 273 L 45 # 402  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Sentence could be made more meaningful by changing the order of words.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change 'Measurements should be taken directly at TP4 without additional Bessel-Thomson filters.' to 'Measurements at TP4 should be taken directly without additional Bessel-Thomson filters.'.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.9.14 P 274 L 33 # 241  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

References to table 59-7 and table 59-9 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.9.15 P 275 L 15 # 242  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

References to table 59-7 and table 59-9 not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.9.2 P 269 L 50 # 319  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Now we have some good boilerplate we should use it throughout the test procedures. We can let TIA decide what the instrument is called.

## SuggestedRemedy

'The wavelength and spectral width (RMS) shall meet specifications according to ANSI/EIA/TIA-455-127 ...'  
(Similarly in clauses 58 and 60).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.9.2 P 270 L 30 # 217  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Table 59-16 does not have 228 octets of data as is shown in Table 59-14 and 59-15.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the low transition density pattern from 148 octets to 164 octets.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.9.2 P 271 L 30 # 440  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status D

I do not believe there is any definition of the term SLM in relation to laser in the base standards not is one added by EFM, although SLM does happen to be spelt out in annex 67A (see 67A.3, page 604, line 45).

## SuggestedRemedy

Add to subclause 1.5 changes:

SLM single longitudinal mode.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Refer this comment to Wael

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Cl 59 SC 59.9.2 P 271 L 39 # 237  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Two references to table 59-5, one reference to table 59-8 are not linked.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.9.4 P 271 L 50 # 438  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The shall statement in this subclause states that the 'Extinction ratio shall meet specifications according to methods specified in ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A with the node transmitting a repeating idle pattern /I2/ ordered\_set (see 36.2.4.12) ...'. Since the shall statement is against only the text 'a repeating idle pattern /I2/ ordered\_set' and the text 'The idle pattern may be interspersed with a low proportion of OAM packets.' could be read as a statement of fact - is it warning the tested that idle can be interspersed with OAM packets therefore these OAM packets should be disabled before the test is performed - this text may need to be clarified if what in fact it is saying is that it is acceptable to perform the test with a low number of OAM packets present.

It is also not clear what a 'low proportion of OAM packets' means. What is this a low proportion of, it can be of the total number of packets since there are no other packets present during idle. Suggest that a fixed limit of 10 OAM packets a second should be used as this is the limit from Annex 43B.2.

I have submitted a similar comment for 58.8.4 and 60.8.4.

## SuggestedRemedy

Suggest this subclause be changed to read:

Extinction ratio shall be measured using the methods specified in ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A with the node transmitting a repeating idle pattern /I2/ ordered\_set (see 36.2.4.12) that may be interspersed with a maximum of 10 OAM packets as second and with minimal back reflections into the transmitter, lower than -20 dB. The /I2/ ordered\_set is defined in Clause 36, and is coded as /K28.5/ D16.2/ which is binary 001111 1010 100100 0101 within idles.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Ensure that the text is consistent with # 439

Cl 59 SC Figure 59-3 P 262 L 12 # 449  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Typo. In the text 'RMS spectral width to achieve  $\epsilon = 0.115'$  shouldn't the 'e' actually be the epsilon character.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace the character 'e' with the epsilon character.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC Table 58-7 P 265 L 19 # 345  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Untidy cross reference.

## SuggestedRemedy

Delete '.n' in footnote a.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC Table 59-10 P 267 L 45 # 332  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Wrong entries for 100BASE-LX10 MMF budget.

## SuggestedRemedy

In Table 59-10, the LX10 value for the available power budget should be changed from 9.0 to 8.5 dB and the allocation for penalties should be changed from 6.6 to 6.1 dB.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT. PMD table will be examined in detail and changes made if appropriate

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Cl 59 SC Table 59-13 P 269 L 12 # 295  
Paul Fitzgerald Circadiant Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Use of the Random pattern test frame Optical frame based test pattern of 58.8.1.1 will lead to a broadcast storm and take down the Ethernet network when broadcast mode is entered. This pattern is too dangerous to imbed into low-cost test equipment that could be used in the field. It is a recipe for malicious hacking.

SuggestedRemedy

Substitute with Valid 1000BASE-X signal.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See comment 288

Cl 59 SC Table 59-14 P 269 L 22 # 363  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Another of Eric's comments just in case:  
In previous clauses, such as 36 and 48, the test patterns were defined as being separated by a minimum IPG. Should we say something about the amount of idle between these frames?

SuggestedRemedy

Add a row to Table 59-14 that has a minimum IPG to be transmitted after the Frame Check Sequence. Also, possibly add a sentence near line 42 on page 268 that says that when performing a test, the frames should be sent with a minimum IPG (or possibly we say as close to minimum as you can).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Need to decide on format at the meeting

Cl 59 SC Table 59-14 P 269 L 40 # 362  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Another of Eric's comments just in case:  
It will make it much easier to create the jitter test frames if you do not have to worry about the running disparity at the end of the first portion of MAC Client Data. For the random pattern test frame, it currently begins with a positive running disparity and ends with a positive running disparity (the original pattern defined in clause 36 started with a negative RD). If a code that flips disparity was then placed at the end and the second portion of MAC Client data repeated, it would begin negative and end negative. The opposite would be the case should the test pattern begin with a negative running disparity. Also, is there a reason the frame is so small?

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the requirement for running disparity to be positive following the first portion of the MAC client data by either defining frames that will transmit both disparities of the test patterns, or defining test patterns for which the disparity doesn't have an impact. For the first solution, you would add a character that flips disparity at the end of the pattern, such as 0x06. Possibly extend the frame so that more repetitions of the pattern can be transmitted.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See comment 218

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Cl 59 SC Table 59-16 P 270 L 26 # 361  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Copying Eric's comment just in case:  
The random pattern test frame has very similar content to the frames defined in Clauses 36 and 48. The jitter test frame in Table 59-16 differs significantly from a previously defined jitter test frame for clause 48. Was this intentional? I recommend modifying test frame to be more similar to 48A.5. Also, is there a reason the size of the frame is 278 bytes? This could be increased. Also, by repeating the test pattern within the frame, such as is done in 48A.5, it allows you to ignore what the beginning running disparity of the pattern is, since both patterns will be present in the frame. This could make it somewhat easier when constructing these frames, so you don't have to worry about the disparity coming out of the first portion of the MAC Client data. The data listed here is effectively what CJPAT would be on a single lane.

## SuggestedRemedy

Payload for jitter test frame:  
7E for 132 octets  
F4, EB, F4, EB, F4, FE, F4, AB  
B5 for 40 octets  
EB, F4, EB, F4, EB, F4, EB, F4  
7E for 132 octets  
F4, EB, F4, EB, F4, FE, F4, AB  
B5 for 40 octets  
EB, F4, EB, F4, EB, F4, EB, F4

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC Table 59-5 P 263 L 15 # 308  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Need to reconcile the decision point offset numbers.  
If common silicon behind TP4 is to be used for 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-BX10, the decision timing offsets need to be the same. At present they are +/-65 ps and +/-0.1 UI = 80 ps. I think we have a consensus that +/-72 ps would be OK. However, if we are to be consistent with poor legacy SERDES and TP1/4 jitter tables, we may have to go further than that. Experience with offsets at 10G tells us to be careful and not to push the offsets as far as the jitter bathtub would imply - we thought that real-world test equipment needed to be taken into account. So I would be reluctant to go as far as the +/-100 ps implied by the jitter tables, but maybe 72 isn't enough. For comparison 1000BASE-PX-D (the continuously running direction) has 0.1 UI which is 80 ps.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change decision timing requirements in Table 59-5 and Table 59-8 to either 72 or 80 ps.  
Add to e.g. 59.7:  
NOTE - A margin between the total jitter at TP4 and the eye opening imposed by the decision point offsets for TDP is intended to allow for the performance of test equipment used for TDP measurement, to avoid very involved jitter calibrations.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 59 SC Table 59-5 P 263 L 17 # 335  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The transmitter reflectance limit was inherited from a DFB oriented specification and may be too strict here.

Reasons to keep a limit:

To control reflection noise caused by echoes beating with the signal. This could cause a problem on very low loss (short) SMF links or, worse but out of spec, if there is an out-of-spec bad connector near the transmitter on a long link,

Reflection noise combined with RIN could make the problem much worse.

Reasons to relax the limit:

Our minimum extinction ratio reduces the effect as compared with 10GBASE-L;

FP lasers have several modes so there are several beat noises and some benefit of diversity (but most of the power can be in one mode);

Reflection from the laser facet, in the absence of an isolator, could exceed -12 dB. Laser front facet reflectance is a good thing in an FP, keeping light from the network out of the laser, and should not be discouraged;

In principle, the TDP spec should catch these reflection problems (but it's good if we can give guidance on individual elements which can be tested separately).

*SuggestedRemedy*

This subject deserves more investigation - is the answer in the learned literature somewhere?

If we don't have any further input:

Change -12 to -6 here and for 1000BASE-BX10-U;

Change -12 to -10 for 1000BASE-BX10-D (1490 nm);

For 1000BASE-PX, we can't just do as for 10GBASE-E (rely in the minimum channel insertion loss) because here, all that loss can be due to splitting - several receiver reflections are brought back together at the transmitter. Use -6 for 1000BASE-PX10-U (1310 nm) and -10 for the other PXs?

If the subject remains controversial by the March meeting, downgrade the transmitter reflectance specs from 'shall' to 'should'.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Will be discussed at the meeting. Im may be prudent to arrive at a value that is a compromise between robustness and cost effectiveness

CI 59 SC Table 59-5 P 263 L 19 # 291  
Paul Fitzgerald Circadian Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The TDP test is not achieving widespread support.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change to a Path Penalty Test with a minimum specified amount of dispersion in the test fiber.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT. See 296

CI 59 SC Table 59-5 P 263 L 19 # 334  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Because we have declared 400 MHz.km at 1300 nm a merely 'historical bandwidth requirement', we have the same differential delay for TDP for both MMF types. The significant difference between the two fibre types is the allocation for modal noise, which is not tested in TDP. So, the TDP limit for 50 um MMF should be the same as for 62.5 um MMF. 3.5 dB is an appropriate limit but if we increase the decision timing offsets this value should be revisited.

If we are sure the two columns won't differ in future, they could be combined into one.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change '4' to '3.5' or slightly higher value following choice of decision timing offsets.

Consider using one MMF column instead of two, as in table 59-10; if so, make the 'Description' column wider.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT. PMD tables will be examined in detail and changes made if appropriate

CI 59 SC table 59-6 P 263 L 35 # 6  
Murphy, Tom Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

change table heading to be the same as corresponding table in CI 60

*SuggestedRemedy*

see comment

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 59 SC Table 59-7 P 264 L 36 # 355  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Hunting Down those Capitals.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Lower case Sensitivity (twice), Reflectance, Receive. Also in table 59-9.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 59**      **SC Table 59-7**      **P 265**      **L 6**      # **292**  
 Paul Fitzgerald      Circadian Systems

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 802.3 currently requires 1 Gigabit Ethernet to be tested with stressed receiver conformance test. For consistency, 1GE in 802.3ah should too.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Eliminate footnote b

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT. See comment 358

**Cl 59**      **SC Table 59-8**      **P 266**      **L 27**      # **293**  
 Paul Fitzgerald      Circadian Systems

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 The TDP test is not achieving widespread support.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change to a Path Penalty Test with a minimum specified amount of dispersion in the test fiber.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT. See 289

**Cl 59**      **SC Table 59-9**      **P 267**      **L 11**      # **331**  
 Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 We seem to have ended up with the same transmit powers for 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-BX10, same cable plant yet different sensitivities. Not sure if this makes sense.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Raise 1000BASE-BX10 sensitivities by 0.5 dB:  
 Change receive sensitivity for BX10 in Table 59-9 to -19.5 dB, increase receiver OMA, stressed mean and OMA by 0.5 dB, and change the available power budget in Table 59-10 for BX10 to 10.5 dB and the allocation for penalties to 5.0 dB for 1550nm and 4.5 dB for 1310 nm.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. The PMD tables will be examined in detail and changes made if appropriate

**Cl 59**      **SC Table 59-9**      **P 267**      **L 16**      # **294**  
 Paul Fitzgerald      Circadian Systems

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 802.3 currently requires 1 Gigabit Ethernet to be tested with stressed receiver conformance test. For consistency, 1GE in 802.3ah should too.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Eliminate footnote a

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT. See comment 299

**Cl 60**      **SC 59.2**      **P 289**      **L 18**      # **327**  
 Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **TR**      **Comment Status**    **D**      **Registers**  
 These clause 45 registers are for 10G or EFM electrical PMA/PMDs, and do not apply to 1G PMDs. We haven't heard a specific demand that the 1G register set needs enhancement for 1000BASE-PX PMDs. Some registers for the PHY as a whole (reset, remote fault, link status) already exist in clause 22. If we wanted a register to distinguish U from D, we could use 10.14, MASTER-SLAVE configuration resolution, but would it be useful?

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Unless these 10G registers become applicable to 1G, delete subclause 60.2.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Initial discussions indicate consensus for deleting these registers. This will be discussed again before and during the Vancouver meeting.

**Cl 60**      **SC 60.1**      **P 286**      **L 22**      # **374**  
 Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**      **attn**  
 There is an interoperability possibility between 1000BASE-PX20-U and 1000BASE- PX10-D.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add a sentence or two describing it.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Text to decided upon at the meeting

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Cl 60 SC 60.1 P 286 L 9 # 787  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Last sentence of first paragraph seems disjointed.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change second sentence of paragraph to read:  
A 1000BASE-PX10-D and 1000BASE-PX10-U PHY (physical layer) device is a combination of a 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA with the respective PMD. If the optional OAM is being used, the 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA in Clause 66 shall be integrated; otherwise, the Clause 36 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA as modified by 65.3 shall be integrated. The management functions may be accessible through the optional Management Interface.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See 780

Cl 60 SC 60.10 P 309 L 4 # 351  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
I think 'ITU' should be 'ITU-T' to distinguish it from ITU-R.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change 'ITU' to 'ITU-T'.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.10.2 P 309 L 45 # 352  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Consistency with other clauses. Delete date of reference, add mention of ITU-T G.652. Resulting in ...

SuggestedRemedy  
... IEC 60793-2 Type B1.1 (dispersion un-shifted single-mode fiber) and Type B1.3 (low water peak single-mode fiber) and ITU G.652 as noted in Table 60-16.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.10.4 P 310 L 52 # 384  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Gratuitous line feed?

SuggestedRemedy  
remove

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.11 P 331 L # 3  
Murphy, Tom Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
Differences in the PICS of the optics clauses

SuggestedRemedy  
Fix the PICS based on file from the commenter

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See comment 4

Cl 60 SC 60.11.4.5 P 315 L # 317  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
Missing PICS? IEC 61753-1 if rematable?

SuggestedRemedy  
Copy from 58 or 89.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 60 SC 60.2 P 289 L 18 # 444  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D** Registers

The 1000BASE-PX10 and 10o0BASE-PX20 PHYs are not supported by the Clause 45 register set, only the Clause 22 register set, so the Clause 45 register bits specified here will not be present.

If the functions described here are required they will need to be moved the Clause 22 extension register specified in subclause 45.2.8. One function that will need special consideration however is the Reset function (PMD\_reset) and its interaction with the existing Clause 22 Reset bit (0.15).

## SuggestedRemedy

Move the specified functions to registers bits within the Clause 22 extension register. Update subclause 45.2.8 as required.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Comment #327 proposes deleting these registers from the optics clauses. This may be the best remedy to this issue and will be discussed before and at the meeting.

Cl 60 SC 60.3.4.2 P 291 L 30 # 10  
Murphy, Tom Infineon

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**

The signal detect in the upstream is optional, however, the second paragraph generates a mandatory PICS entry

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the text so that the PICS entry is removed

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Will be discussed at the meeting

Cl 60 SC 60.4.1 P 292 L 40 to 54 # 47  
Pi-Cheng Law Chunghwa Telecom La

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**

Does Table 60-5 have other characteristics?

## SuggestedRemedy

If not, it should be a complete table without a blank.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT. Table 60-5 continues on the next page. This is an artifact of the format chosen and will be rectified upon final assembly of the document.

Cl 60 SC 60.4.1 P 293 L 17 # 9  
Murphy, Tom Infineon

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**

The transmitter reflectance specification is superfluous for EFM PMDs (Note that 100M PMDs do not have this specification.) This restraint can have yield impacts for non-angle-polished design optics with corresponding cost impact. Link budget calculations show a worst case power penalty difference of 0.1 dB between Refl Tx = -12 dB and Refl Tx = -10 dB, and 1 dB between Refl Tx = -12 dB and Refl Tx = 0 dB( ORL =-10 dB ~ 30% laser front face reflectivity, 30% couple efficiency. ORL 0 dB = 100% reflectivity, 100% couple efficiency)

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the Transmitter reflectance line from Table 60-5 and 60-8

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See comment #8

Cl 60 SC 60.4.1 P 293 L 27 # 446  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**

The text 'RMS spectral width vs. wavelength for 1000BASE-PX10 is shown in .. and Figure 60-3.' is not correct as Figure 60-3 only shows the RMS spectral width vs. wavelength for the 1000BASE-PX10-U PMD.

## SuggestedRemedy

Suggest the text 'RMS spectral width vs. wavelength for 1000BASE-PX10 is shown in Table 60-6 and Figure 60-3.' should read 'The maximum RMS spectral width vs. wavelength for 1000BASE-PX10 is shown in Table 60-6 and for 1000BASE-PX10-U in Figure 60-3.'

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.4.1 P 293 L 44 # 4  
Murphy, Tom Infineon

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**

Change e to epsilon, here and p297

## SuggestedRemedy

see comment

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 60 SC 60.5.1 P 295 L 47 # 447  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The text 'The maximum RMS spectral width vs. wavelength for 1000BASE-PX20 is shown in Table 60–9 and Figure 60–4.' is not correct as Figure 60-4 only shows the RMS spectral width vs. wavelength for the 1000BASE-PX20-U PMD.

## SuggestedRemedy

Suggest the text 'The maximum RMS spectral width vs. wavelength for 1000BASE-PX20 is shown in Table 60–9 and Figure 60–4.' should read 'The maximum RMS spectral width vs. wavelength for 1000BASE-PX20 is shown in Table 60–9 and for 1000BASE-PX20-U in Figure 60–4.'

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.6 P 297 L 41 to 54 # 48  
Pi-Cheng Law Chunghwa Telecom La

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Does Table 60-9 have other information in the blank?

The blank could let readers think that it has something else.

## SuggestedRemedy

If not, it should be a complete table without a blank.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT. See # 47

Cl 60 SC 60.6 P 298 L 41 to 54 # 49  
Pi-Cheng Law Chunghwa Telecom La

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Does Table 60-10 have other information in the blank?

The blank could let readers think that it has something else.

## SuggestedRemedy

If not, it should be a complete table without the blank.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT. See #47

Cl 60 SC 60.7 P 300 L 14 to 54 # 50  
Pi-Cheng Law Chunghwa Telecom La

Comment Type T Comment Status D

I think you should separate jitter generation(no jitter input to ONU) from jitter transfer(jitter input to ONU).

There are different definitions and testing conditions between them.

## SuggestedRemedy

The "No Jitter input to ONU" can be defined as the formal name " Jitter generation".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Will include the words "Jitter Generation" but perhaps not in Table 60-13

Cl 60 SC 60.7 P 300 L 8 # 318  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The jitter sections need to be tied together and have their terminology aligned.

## SuggestedRemedy

Consider if DJ should be replaced by W here.  
Add sentence saying that 'W is similar but not necessarily identical to deterministic jitter (DJ)'.  
Refer to 60.8.12 and maybe 59.9.12, note that there are other jitter measurement methods.  
Add sentence 'Jitter at TP2 or TP3 is defined with a receiver of the same bandwidth as specified for the transmitted eye.'  
Consider if 60.8.12 should refer to 59.9.12 and/or 59.9.13.  
Correlate with clause 59 and 58.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Need to clarify where exactly in the text the references are to be placed and where the sentence is to be added

Cl 60 SC 60.8 P 301 L 13 to 14 # 51  
Pi-Cheng Law Chunghwa Telecom La

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The position of the title" 60.8 optical measurement requirements" is not proper for the context.because the Figure 60-5 and table 60-14 belong to Clause 60.7.

## SuggestedRemedy

You should shift the title to the position of line 36.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. This is an artifact of the forming chosen. Will look at the positioning of diagram anchors

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Cl 60 SC 60.8 P 301 L 14 # 952  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Figure 60-5 and Table 60-14 do not appear to be referenced in the text.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add textual references to Figure 60-5 and Table 60-14. Since Table 60-14 is very small, and since there are only two tables following it, you might treat it as an "informal table", which does not require a title and table number.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. This is a problem with the anchors for these items. Will look at this issue

Cl 60 SC 60.8.11 P 304 L 8 # 300  
Paul Fitzgerald Circadian Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Requires a test pattern rather than live traffic.

## SuggestedRemedy

Use valid or live 1000BASE-X traffic for all stressed receiver conformance tests in

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. This topic needs to be discussed in front of a wider audience before a decision can be reached. This will take place before and during the meeting

See comment 288

Cl 60 SC 60.8.2 P 302 L 13 # 321  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

It seems odd to say that two different epsilon values both give "below 2 dB" chromatic dispersion penalty.

## SuggestedRemedy

I guess it's safe to reduce the second one to 'less than 1.5 dB' to show we have thought about it.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. PMD tables will be examined in detail and change made if appropriate

Cl 60 SC 60.8.4 P 302 L 26 # 437  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The shall statement in this subclause states that the 'Extinction ratio shall meet specifications according to methods specified in ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A with the node transmitting a repeating idle pattern /I2/ ordered\_set (see 36.2.4.12) ...'. Since the shall statement is against only the text 'a repeating idle pattern /I2/ ordered\_set' and the text 'The idle pattern may be interspersed with a low proportion of OAM packets.' could be read as a statement of fact - is it warning the tested that idle can be interspersed with OAM packets therefore these OAM packets should be disabled before the test is performed - this text may need to be clarified if what in fact it is saying is that it is acceptable to perform the test with a low number of OAM packets present.

It is also not clear what a 'low proportion of OAM packets' means. What is this a low proportion of, it can be of the total number of packets since there are no other packets present during idle. Suggest that a fixed limit of 10 OAM packets a second should be used as this is the limit from Annex 43B.2.

I have submitted a similar comment for 58.8.4 and 59.9.4.

## SuggestedRemedy

Suggest this subclause be changed to read:

Extinction ratio shall be measured using the methods specified in ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A with the node transmitting a repeating idle pattern /I2/ ordered\_set (see 36.2.4.12) that may be interspersed with a maximum of 10 OAM packets as second and with minimal back reflections into the transmitter, lower than -20 dB. The /I2/ ordered\_set is defined in Clause 36, and is coded as /K28.5/ D16.2/ which is binary 001111 1010 100100 0101 within idles.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Rather than specify a number per second use text similar to below:

"A low number of OAM packets where the rate does not exceed the limit specified in the slow protocol (see ??)"

Ensure that text is consistent with 439

Cl 60 SC 60.8.8 P L # 144  
Barrow, Bruce SCC14

Comment Type E Comment Status D attn

In Eq. 60-5 write "GHz" in upright font. And, as a truly picky point, "j" should be upright.

## SuggestedRemedy

Unit symbols and mathematical constants (like p, e, and j) should be upright.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Discuss at the meeting

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Cl 60 SC 60.8.8 P 302 L 46 # 7  
Murphy, Tom Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Different text between Cl 59 and Cl 60

## SuggestedRemedy

Change 60.8.8 to have the same text (where appropriate) as 59.9.8

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Will be discussed at the meeting

Cl 60 SC 60.9.4 P 308 L 34 # 972  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Table 60-15 appears to duplicate the information in Annex 67A Table 67A-4.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove Table 60-15 and replace with a reference to Table 67A-4.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT. Make changes for 58 and 59

Cl 60 SC Figure 60-1 P 287 L 25 # 373  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Implementing resolution to D.0 comment #89.

## SuggestedRemedy

Show optional FEC; keep synchronised with Fig 56-2.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Question from editor - didn't we decide that FEC was not a separate layer, hence error in 56-2. See 65-1???

Cl 60 SC Figure 60-1 P 287 L 26 # 445  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The drawing of the 'Passive Optical Network Medium' as a bar with a broken end at the right implies a bus structure with other ONU(s) added onto the same bus.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the bar to be a bar with a box in the middle which is marked as Optical splitter.  
Change the broken right end bar to be a straight end. Another bar with a broken end that doesn't connect to anything.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Need some clarification of the exact form of the change

Cl 60 SC Figure 60-1 P 287 L 28 # 372  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D attn

The medium can't have a stub to the left of the OLT's MDI. See e.g. Fig 14-1 or 15-1 for styles that clearly avoid the implied stub.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the apparent stub.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Need clarification of exact layout

Cl 60 SC Figure 60-3 P 293 L 44 # 450  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Typo. In the text 'RMS spectral width to achieve  $\epsilon = 0.115'$  shouldn't the 'e' actually be the epsilon character.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace the character 'e' with the epsilon character.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC Figure 60-4 P 297 L 12 # 448  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Typo. In the text 'RMS spectral width to achieve  $\epsilon = 0.10'$  shouldn't the 'e' actually be the epsilon character.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace the character 'e' with the epsilon character.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 60**      **SC Figure 60-4**      **P 297**      **L 5**      **# 338**  
Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

Although I don't think it's actually an error, the narrow peak on this graph is not useable in practice: manufacturing tolerances combined with operating temperature ranges mean that a region narrower than say 20 nm is not much use in practice. We could go further than the suggestion below, which does not change the practical effect of the draft.

## SuggestedRemedy

Truncate the "maximum" curve at 2.5 nm. Adjust table 60-9 accordingly: two rows would disappear, entries for 1305 and 1320 would get rounded down to 2.5 nm. If wished, remove the top 1 nm of the graph.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED REJECT. It is agreed that the ~10 nm band is very narrow if manufacturing tolerances are to be considered. However, the proposed change adds no further information to the document and has a possible impact on FP yield as it excludes parts centered at this point with rms > 2.5 nm, operating in temperature controlled environments

**Cl 60**      **SC Table 60-10**      **P 299**      **L 10**      **# 299**  
Paul Fitzgerald      Circadian Systems

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

802.3 currently requires 1 Gigabit Ethernet to be tested with stressed receiver conformance test. For consistency, 1GE in 802.3ah should too.

## SuggestedRemedy

Eliminate footnote a

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED REJECT. This issue has been discussed at previous meetings. If time permits, this issue will be addressed in Vancouver. Unlike Cl38, this PMD type does not involve MMF

**Cl 60**      **SC Table 60-5**      **P 293**      **L 19**      **# 296**  
Paul Fitzgerald      Circadian Systems

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

The TDP test is not achieving widespread support.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change to a Path Penalty Test with a minimum specified amount of dispersion in the test fiber.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED REJECT. TDP is a dispersion based path penalty test where TDP is the less complicated of the two. TDP testing has been under development for ~3 years in 10G and is accepted in this community. An alternative testing mechanism would need considerable scrutiny before it could be implemented.

**Cl 60**      **SC Table 60-7**      **P 295**      **L 20**      **# 297**  
Paul Fitzgerald      Circadian Systems

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

802.3 currently requires 1 Gigabit Ethernet to be tested with stressed receiver conformance test. For consistency, 1GE in 802.3ah should too.

## SuggestedRemedy

Eliminate footnote a

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED REJECT. See #299

**Cl 60**      **SC Table 60-8**      **P 296**      **L 31**      **# 298**  
Paul Fitzgerald      Circadian Systems

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

The TDP test is not achieving widespread support.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change to a Path Penalty Test with a minimum specified amount of dispersion in the test fiber.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED REJECT. See # 296

**Cl 60**      **SC Table 60-9**      **P 297**      **L 40**      **# 337**  
Dawe, Piers      Agilent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

There seems to be a mistake in this table: numbers in third column must be less than numbers in second column.

## SuggestedRemedy

Check table entries from 1304 to 1321 nm and correct if necessary.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Values will be checked and changed if appropriate

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*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61**      *P* **318**      *L* **1**      # **823**  
Tom Mathey      Independent

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Clause 61 has a number of misplace and/or missing register bits.  
When both ends of the link are configured to the same port type of \_R to \_R, or \_O to \_O, then the link will not come up but there is no way for the user to determine why.  
Some of the clause 45 registers are generic, and apply to all of the places where used.  
Examples are reset, loopback, OUI or device identifiers, etc. For those persons who did not participate in the 10G development of Clause 45, this requirement is easily missed. For example, it is not obvious that the PMA layer requires a loopback capability, and there is no text in Clause 61, 62 or 63 to support loopback

## SuggestedRemedy

Using the NPAR and SPAR registers, add ability to transport local setting (\_R, \_O) of port type to link partner, and ability for local device to read or obtain the port type (\_R, \_O) of link partner.

Include table to show which registers are required.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.  
Units participating in a G.hs exchange identify themselves as a -R or -O subtype by means of the initialization tones. In case of a failure to bring up the link, analysis of these tones will reveal that both link ends are -R subtypes or -O subtypes.  
This capability may be built into the PHY, in order to allow subtype negotiation.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61**      *P* **318**      *L* **1**      # **821**  
Tom Mathey      Independent

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Clause 45 PCS register 3.0 is generic and applies to this clause. However, there is no indication in clause 61 as which of the general purpose registers from Clause 45 apply to Clause 45. Only those persons who participated in the 10Gig development will understand which registers apply to Clause 61.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add text to state which registers from Clause 45 are to apply.

Specifically:

Add text to state that bit 3.0.14 for loopback applies to clause 61

A few words about reset, bit 3.0.15 and any other generics (such as fault) and the device identifier would be nice.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Add text to the end of 61.1.1: "Register 3.4.1 and registers 3.44 through 3.59 specified in Clause 45 may be used to control the PCS specified in this clause."

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.1**      *P* **318**      *L* **10**      # **619**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**

missing comma

## SuggestedRemedy

add a comma after "ETSI"

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.1**      *P* **318**      *L* **19**      # **620**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

The MAC is specified in Clause 4

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "Clauses 1 through 4" with "Clause 4"

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.1**      *P* **318**      *L* **35**      # **822**  
Tom Mathey      Independent

*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Typo: word "of" s/b "or", and signaling is now via the PCS (at least for PCS errors), not the PMA as previously.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change sentence

From: If a particular anomaly or failure occurs in either downstream of upstream, PMA/PMD specific signaling will alert the remote end of this condition.

To : If a particular anomaly or failure occurs in either downstream or upstream, PCS specific signaling will alert the remote end of this condition.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
The word "of" was previously corrected.  
Replace "PMA/PMD specific signaling" with "sublayer-specific signaling", to include PCS-related anomalies.

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Cl 61	SC 61.1	P 318	L 9	# 618
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
Comment Type	E	Comment Status	D	
DSL?				
SuggestedRemedy				
Spell out first usage of DSL				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
Replace "DSL" with "Digital Subscriber Line (DSL)".				

Cl 61	SC 61.1.2	P 318	L 50	# 621
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
Comment Type	TR	Comment Status	D	
misleading objective				
SuggestedRemedy				
Replace "full duplex operation" with "full duplex operation over the medium"				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED REJECT.				
The objective is correct as stated.				
Full duplex operation is supported on every relevant interface: MAC Service Interface, MII, gamma-interface, alpha(beta)-interface and MDI.				
The MAC shall be configured for half-duplex operation in order to support MAC-PHY Rate Matching, but this does not affect the actual bidirectionality of the data stream.				

<i>Cl</i> <b>61</b>	<i>SC</i> <b>61.1.3</b>	<i>P</i> <b>319</b>	<i>L</i> <b>23</b>	<i>#</i> <b>155</b>
Edward Beili		Actelis Networks Inc.		
<i>Comment Type</i>	<b>T</b>	<i>Comment Status</i>	<b>D</b>	
In Figures 61-1, 61-2 PMI Aggregation function is depicted yet no PMI layer/object is shown. In Figures 61-3 61-4-2 and 61-5-4 it looks like PMI is an entity below PMA/PMD. Also PMI is defined as Physical Medium Independent in Abbreviations and Figure 61-1 and as PMA/PMD Instance in 61.1.5.3 (page 322 line 42). The Instance is probably a better term than Independent, besides I couldn't find any use of PMI in the original 802.3-2002, except for listing it in abbreviations.				

<i>SuggestedRemedy</i>		
Define PMI as PMA/PMD Instance in Abbreviations and Figure 61-1. Draw PMI container around PMA/PMD in Figures 61-1 and 61-2. Replace PMI-x with Pair-x (or Copper Pair-x or Voice Grade Copper Pair or whatever) in Figures 61-3, 61-4-2 and 61-5-4.		
<i>Proposed Response</i>	<i>Response Status</i>	<b>W</b>
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.		
It is recognized that the term PMI is a poor choice to describe what is being aggregated in "PMI aggregation". However, redefining an existing term for our own purposes may have undesired consequences. Furthermore, "PMA/PMD Instance" is inaccurate, as the aggregation includes the part of the PCS below the gamma-interface. The draft should therefore use a new term.		
Define PME as Physical Medium Entity in Abbreviations and Figure 61-1. Draw PME container around PMA, PMD and the part of PCS below the gamma-interface in Figures 61-1 and 61-2. Replace all instances of PMI in Clause 61 with PME. The term "PAF" remains unchanged.		

Cl 61	SC 61.1.4.1	P 319	L 47	# 623
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
Comment Type	T	Comment Status	D	
There's only 1 PCS				
SuggestedRemedy				
Replace "Sublayer (PCS) ... contain" with "Sublayers (PCS) ... contains"				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
Replace "Sublayer (PCS) ... contain" with "Sublayer (PCS) ... contains"				

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**Cl 61**      **SC 61.1.4.1**      **P 320**      **L 35**      # **83**

Beck, Michael      Alcatel Bell n.v.

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

"MII interface" is redundant.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace all occurrences of "MII interface" with "MII" throughout clauses 61, 62 and 63 and annexes.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status W*

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.1.4.1**      **P 320**      **L 47**      # **624**

Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

Remove "A" and comma

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace "A preamble and SFD ... data frame, prior" with "Preamble and SFD ... data frame prior"

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status W*

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.1.4.1.1**      **P 321**      **L 30**      # **454**

Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

We say that excessive deferrals will be counted in C30, but C30 says the attribute is undefined when using rate matching.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Eliminate this sentence.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status W*

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.1.4.1.1**      **P 321**      **L 35**      # **626**

Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**

The MAC can't stretch

*SuggestedRemedy*

The MAC is incapable of performing the kind of stretching you are referring to. The MAC responds directly to the MAC Client. If the MAC's IPG has timed out and the MAC Client wants to send a packet, the MAC must do so. Only the MAC Client can perform the kind of stretching you are referring to here and the MAC Client is not under our control.

Remove this note.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status W*

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.1.4.1.1**      **P 321**      **L 7**      # **625**

Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

missing comma

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace "operate the MAC" with "operate, the MAC"

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status W*

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 61**      **SC 61.1.4.1.2**      **P 321**      **L 40**      **# 627**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **TR**      **Comment Status**    **D**

PMI aggregator can't be a function within the PCS

## SuggestedRemedy

This function aggregates multiple physical layers below a single PCS. As shown in Figure 61-2, this can't be a single function that is shared between multiple PCSs. This must be a sublayer unto itself. As such, it must be part of Figure 61-1.

However, it is possible that the TPS-TC can be a function but within the PMA and no longer within the PCS.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

The aggregator is not shared among multiple PCS's. There is only one aggregator function per PCS, as is shown in 61-2.

The optional "flexible cross-connect" may be shared amongst multiple PCS's, as is shown in 61-2. It is not explicitly defined in the standard, as it does not need to be.

The PMI Aggregator aggregates multiple instances of the combination PMD + PMA + TPS-TC. As the TPS-TC is the lower part of the PCS, interfacing with the upper part through the gamma-interface, the PMI Aggregator must be a function within the PCS. It is recognized that the commenter's model would also be valid, but it doesn't correspond to the layering model that the Copper Sub Task Force has adopted.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.1.4.1.4**      **P 322**      **L 6**      **# 628**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

eoc?

## SuggestedRemedy

Should this be uppercase? Also, spell out the first uses of EOC, VOC and IB.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

Different capitalization conventions exist between VDSL standards and SHDSL standards. As a result, the embedded operations channel is abbreviated as "eoc" for 10PASS-TS and as "EOC" for 2BASE-TL.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.1.4.1.4**      **P 322**      **L 7**      **# 455**  
 Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

We use EoC, VOC, IB, and EOC without ever saying what they are.

## SuggestedRemedy

Eliminate the acronyms (the whole parenthesized part).

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

EOC, eoc, VOC and IB are duly specified in Clauses 62 and Clause 63 and the documents referenced therein.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.1.5.3.1**      **P 323**      **L 37**      **# 824**  
 Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **D**

Figure 61-3 clearly shows the Flexible cross-connect as applying to a (set of) single MAC connected to a single PCS connected to a single PMA/PMD. This occurs in the absence of loop aggregation. This single MAC to any possible one of many PMA/PMD is the single most useful feature of the cross-connect. However, this feature does not exist independent of loop agg. There is no way to make such a connection without going thru the entire loop agg discovery and assignment process.

## SuggestedRemedy

When loop agg is not available, or not desired to be enabled, provide a register and a means via text description to connect a single MAC to any possible one of many PMA/PMD's.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

In the absence of PMI aggregation, the logical place to separate the MAC and the PHY is not at the gamma-interface, but at the MII. This optional interface is already completely specified in Clause 22. Whether or not to allow swapping PHYs around below the MII is an implementation issue.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.1.5.3.2**      **P 323**      **L 50**      **# 629**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **D**

wrong words

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "which" with "that" on lines 50 & 51

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.1.1 P 327 L 33 # 916  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D pgraded from E to T by Editor  
 Signal TC\_synchronized is not available here. Change to PCS\_link\_state.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 change TC\_synchronized to PCS\_link\_state 4 times in this paragraph and the following note.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.1.2.1 P 327 L 47 # 304  
 Stephen Haddock Extreme Networks  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 MII signals are defined in clause 22.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "Table 23-1 in 23.2.2.1" to "Table 22-1 in 22.2.2.1"  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Change "MII signals are defined in Table 23-1 in 23.2.2.1." to "MII signals are defined in 22.2.2 and listed in Table 23-1 in 23.2.2.1."

Cl 61 SC 61.2.1.3.2 P 328 L 26 # 825  
 Tom Mathey Independent  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 While the text for tx\_rx\_simultaneously that was added in d2.2 is not strictly incorrect, it is certainly inadequate. Text is:  
 "True if the MAC is capable of transmitting and receiving simultaneously in half duplex mode, or if the MAC is configured in the full duplex mode."  
 If the mac is placed in the full duplex mode, then there needs to be additional text in Clause 4 to inform the user of how much delay between packets the mac must add as the phy speed is most likely well below 100 mbps. Thus the mac will need to know the speed of the phy (obtained in some manner from clause 62 and 63) for single links , and the effective speed when agg'd. This will the change the parameters in unnumbered table in 4.4.2, and have other possible unanticipated consequences.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Remove text ", or if the MAC is configured in the full duplex mode". Else open up Clause 4, modify tables in 4.4, provide formula for speed vs idle delays, add an annex to provide examples for how to convert a clause 45 speed register to number of idles (for the unwashed masses who are ignorant of Clause 62 and 63).  
 Also applies to p321, line 37, clause 61.1.4.1.1  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Remove text ", or if the MAC is configured in the full duplex mode".

Cl 61 SC 61.2.1.3.2 P 328 L 27 # 456  
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 We include a statement about the MAC in full duplex, but in several places (including 61.1.4.1.1) we say the MAC must be in half-duplex mode.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Eliminate configured in full-duplex option.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 See response to comment #825.

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**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.1.3.2**      **P 328**      **L 28**      **# 889**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**  
 if the MAC is configured in the full duplex mode

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 accdg. To 802.3 CRS is not defined in full duplex mode, therefore rate adaption won't work -  
 > remove that part of the sentence

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 See response to comment #825.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.1.3.2**      **P 328**      **L 35**      **# 631**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 What's the difference between "power\_on" and "Reset"

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Replace both of these with "BEGIN", using the definition from 57.3.1.2

Add a "BEGIN" global entry to the "CARRIER\_SENSE\_OFF" state  
 Replace the "power\_on" and "Reset" global entries with a "BEGIN" global entry

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.  
 This is consistent with the state machines in Clauses 28, 36, 37 and 40. There is no need to  
 add a begin entry to the carrier sense state diagram because reset will force crs\_tx and  
 crs\_rx to false.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.1.3.2**      **P 328**      **L 9**      **# 630**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 Variables out of order

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Alphabetize the variable list

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.1.3.3**      **P 328**      **L 53**      **# 635**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**  
 Why is the rate\_matching\_timer longer than 960 ns? Is it to allow time for CRS to be  
 synchronized across the MII (4 additional MII clock periods)?

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 I think I understand why you're doing this but it would be useful to describe this to the casual  
 observer.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Change "The duration is set to 1120 ns to allow 960 ns for the inter frame gap plus time for  
 the MAC to recognize CRS." to "The duration is set to 1120 ns to allow 960 ns for the inter  
 frame gap plus 160 ns for the MAC to recognize CRS. 160 ns is equivalent to 16 bit times  
 and is consistent with the assumptions about MAC performance listed in Table 21-2 in 21.8."

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.1.3.4**      **P 329**      **L 29**      **# 633**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**  
 Note means nothing

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Remove the note since it doesn't tell the user anything

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.2.1**      **P 329**      **L 54**      **# 471**  
 Cravens, George      Mindspeed

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**  
 PAF\_enable is not used to indicate that aggregation is not permitted, only if it is active.  
 PAF\_available is used to indicate if aggregation is permitted.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change "permitted" in line 54 to "active".

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.3 P 332 L 38 # 472  
 Cravens, George Mindspeed  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Insert cross reference to PCS\_link\_state since this is the first time it is mentioned, and it is not explained until later in the clause.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert cross reference to 61.2.3.1 after PCS\_link\_state the first time it is used.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.3 P 332 L 48 # 636  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 There is no description of putting fragments back together  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 While it can be assumed that fragments are put back in order based on the sequence number, it would be useful to spell this out. It isn't even mentioned anywhere that there is only 1 sequence for all the PMIs, not 1 per PMI. After several readings, I think I figured that must be the way it is done but making it a little clearer would be very helpful to the first time reader.  
 Consider adding the following sentence to bullet c): "There is a single sequence number stream for each aggregation, not one per PMI. It is this sequence number stream that the receiver uses for fragment reassembly."  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Add proposed sentence to bullet c.)

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.3 P 333 L 30 # 917  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 change variable name from "allActiveQueuesNonEmpty" to "allQueuesNonEmpty". anyQueueNonEmpty and oneQueueNonEmpty do also only refer to active queues and do not have an "active" in their variable name.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change variable name here and twice in the state diagram.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.3 P 333 L 45 # 918  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 definition of noFragmentProcessed is not specific enough.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add after "bit times": "at the bit rate of the PMD associated with that queue. Each fragment processed restarts all per-queue timers"  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.3 P 333 L 51 # 473  
 Cravens, George Mindspeed  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Lonely quote at the end of the sentence.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete quote after processed.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
 Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.3 P 333 L 52 # 637  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Unused variable  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Remove maxDifferentialDelay variable as it is not used in the state diagrams.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.3 P 333 L 54 # 919  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 "expressed in bit times of fastest link" conflicts with page 333 line 13 " ... has been non-empty for maxDifferentialDelay bit times at the bit rate of the PMD associated with that queue."  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 remove "expressed in bit times of fastest link"  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See #637

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.3 P 334 L 10 # 953  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type E Comment Status D

In Figure 61-11, the UCT from ERROR\_HANDLING to WAIT\_FOR\_NEXT\_FRAGMENT takes a needlessly circuitous path which makes the diagram hard to read.

## SuggestedRemedy

Reroute the UCT between these states so that it travels up the left hand side of the two states.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.3 P 334 L 30 # 920  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

State "ERROR\_HANDLING". Add cross reference to 61.2.2.7.2.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.3 P 334 L 37 # 922  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

"Buffer Overflow" can easily be misunderstood.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change to "Frame length overflow". The same applies to the text page 335 line 8: change "overflow" to "frame length overflow".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

This error refers to an overflow of the per-PMA/PMD receive buffer, which may contain fragments to multiple frames. It is not related to frame length.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.3 P 334 L 38 # 921  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

State "FRAGMENT\_ERROR". Add cross reference to 61.2.2.7.3.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.5 P 335 L 44 # 923  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

"Note that a speed ratio of 4 may only be used if the latency is controlled to meet the restriction (a)." is misleading, as the definition of maxDifferentialDelay to 15000 bit times precludes a maxSpeedRatio of 4.  
Following the definition of differential latency on page 335 line 24ff it can be calculated exactly:  
Slow link: Speed X, maxFragmentSize 512 octets = 4096 bits.  
Fast link: Speed 4 times X, allows in the same time transmission of 16384 bits. This contradicts to restriction a) (line 42).  
No other variables contribute to this result.  
With this definition, maxSpeedRatio has to be set to 3.66

## SuggestedRemedy

set maxSpeedRatio to 3.66, or  
set maxDifferentialDelay to 16384, or  
use a different definition of maxDifferentialDelay.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

If the transmitter chose to use maxSpeedRatio = 4, then it would need to prohibit itself from sending maxFragmentSize fragments.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.5 P 335 L 44 # 890  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

there exists a variable for maxspeedratio

## SuggestedRemedy

replace 4 with maxspeedratio

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

The sentence is an informative note that points out that the highest value of maxspeedratio may not be permitted in certain circumstances, based on the state requirements.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.6 P 336 L 22 # 924  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
using 14 bit, maxSequenceNumber is not 2<sup>14</sup>, but 2<sup>14</sup> - 1.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change accordingly. This change requires adding an "+1" in the split-horizon-calculations (page 333 line 4, page 337 line 16).

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.7 P 336 L 40 # 891  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
sending of garbage frame: contradiction to chapter 61.2.2.7.2 where 2 rules in case of errors are specified

## SuggestedRemedy

add that also part of the frame with assertion of error signal can be sent

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.8.3 P 338 L 27 # 468  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
The PAF Enable bit is Write/Read only on the CO-subtype device.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add the following to the sentence ending on line 28:

"on the CO-subtype device, but still read-only on the CPE-subtype device."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change: "the PAF\_enable bit is read-only unless the AF\_available bit is asserted, in which case the PAF\_enable bit is write/read."

to "the PAF\_enable bit is read-only when the PAF\_available bit is not asserted."

The subsequent two paragraphs define PAF\_enable behavior when PAF\_available is asserted.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.8.3 P 338 L 34 # 639  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
missing word

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "The PAF\_enable" with "Additionally, the PAF\_enable"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.8.3 P 339 L 12 # 470  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
remote\_read\_data\_bus is missing the underscore before bus in six places.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change "remote\_read\_data bus" to "remote\_read\_data\_bus" in lines 12, 22, 28, 31, 38, and 41 to match the name defined in Table 61-9 (pg. 341, line 33).

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.8.3 P 339 L 15 # 925  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Wrong cross reference.

## SuggestedRemedy

change to 45.2.1.13.1.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.8.3 P 339 L 16 # 141  
Kimpe, Marc Adtran

Comment Type T Comment Status D

This comment should be read in conjunction with the example operation shown in 61.A.2 (p559/ line 28). It is assumed that the -O end writes the PMI\_Discovery\_register of an -R port. If the -R device is multi-port, it propagates the content of that register to any other ports that can be aggregated. The -O end then reads the other -R ports and checks whether its address was propagated. If it finds its address on other ports, those ports can be aggregated. This is fine and will work but is time consuming. Assuming that we have a 32-port -O device talking to 32 separate -R devices, there will be 32 write operations from the -O device and 31! read operations. Most of the read operations can be done in parallel, the write operations must be done sequentially. This means that 32 PHYs would require 32 sequential G.hs exchanges. G.hs Rather than have the -O end write its address, how about having each -R PCS entity write a unique address in the -R discovery register. The -O end would do 32 read in parallel. Any addresses that are similar can be aggregated together. The total time for 32 separate PHYs would be a single G.hs handshake.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the discovery operation to allow the -R end to write a unique discovery PMI register address for each -R port that can be aggregated. Update the examples in 61-A.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

The mechanism is the text is in accordance with the baseline, whereby the -O end is the master, and control of aggregation is entirely from the -O side.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.8.3 P 339 L 21 # 640  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Can't restart a list within a single subclause - too difficult to refer to which bullet list item...

## SuggestedRemedy

Rather than restarting this list, continue counting with d), e), f) & g)

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.8.3 P 339 L 4 # 469  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type E Comment Status D

insert missing "and".

## SuggestedRemedy

Change sentence to read: (the "and" is inserted after "Clause 45,")

For CPE-subtype devices the register may be read locally through Clause 45, and reads and writes shall be allowed from remote devices via the remote access signals passed across the ā-interface from the PMA (see 61.2.3.1).

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3 P 340 L 17 # 641  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Add wording

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "function of the PAF." with "existence of the PAF. Also, the term PAF is used to represent the superior sublayer to the TC, regardless of whether the PAF actually exists."

Substitute the word function for the word sublayer in the sentence above if my comment to call the PAF a sublayer is rejected.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Use "function".

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.1 P 340 L 52 # 642  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
change wording

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace the first sentence with the following: "The PAF shall assert Tx\_Avble when an entire data fragment is available for transmission, and deasserted when there are no data fragments to transmit.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.3.1**      **P340**      **L 52**      # **926**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 wrong signal name: not Tx\_Avble, but Tx\_Avbl.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change 3 times in this paragraph and 4 times on page 351 and 352.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.3.1**      **P341**      **L 13**      # **826**  
 Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**  
 The definition of signal PCS\_link\_state is incorrect. ALL other clauses for ALL other speeds have PCS\_link\_state defined as the receiver is synchronized with no mention of receipt of fault signal from link partner.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Remove text referring to remote\_TC\_out\_of\_sync.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

When remote\_TC\_out\_of\_sync is asserted, fragments will not be transmitted by the TC. Conditioning PCS\_link\_state on this signal tells the PAF not to bother trying to send them.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.3.1**      **P341**      **L 18**      # **827**  
 Tom Mathey      Independent

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**  
 The definition of "TC" is very specific as given in 61.2.3, and applies ONLY to fragments or data frames for 64/65-octet encapsulation. While one end of the loop agg signals does exist in the PAF, the other end certainly does not exist in the TC. The other end seems to exist in the NPAR / SPAR register layer.

In addition, why are the loop agg signals given a description on how to transport from PAF to NPAR / SPAR, but NO OTHER signals are given such description. As the NPAR / SPAR are described in octets, why are the PAF signals described as a 48 bit bus.

The description of loop agg signals is unclear. If signals remain in table, then a timing diagram is necessary.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 In column Direction, change from TC to NPAR / SPAR.  
 Remove all of the loop agg signals from table, else:  
     Provide timing diagram,  
     Provide description on how to transport ALL of the OTHER signals,  
     Provide table to map signals between Clause 46, Clause 61 signal name, NPAR / SPAR register/bit to ensure that all signals are included.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change direction entries to "to PAF" and "from PAF"

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.3.2.2**      **P342**      **L 41**      # **643**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 wording usage

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Replace "is comprised of" with "comprises"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.3.3**      **P343**      **L 24**      # **892**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**  
 CRC checking is also part of the TC function

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 add the CRC check to the TC functions

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.1**      *P* **344**      *L* **27**      # **644**  
 Brown, Benjamin      Independent  
*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 According to the description in 61.2.3, the description here is unnecessary  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Replace "a data frame (either a MAC Frame or a PMI aggregation fragment)," with  
 "a fragment,"  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.1**      *P* **345**      *L* **1**      # **927**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon  
*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Change TC\_synchronized to PCS\_link\_state.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Apply change 5 times in this paragraph.  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.1**      *P* **345**      *L* **2**      # **893**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon  
*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 wrong cross ref  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 update cross ref to 61.2.3.3.6  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.1**      *P* **345**      *L* **36**      # **928**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon  
*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 "The end of a TC fragment is always marked with an End of Frame codeword": there is a  
 second possibility: a "start of frame while transmitting" codeword.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 add: "or start of frame while transmitting".  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.1**      *P* **345**      *L* **38**      # **92**  
 Beck, Michael      Alcatel Bell n.v.  
*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Typo.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Replace "singal" with "signal".  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.1**      *P* **345**      *L* **40**      # **929**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon  
*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 enumeration b) has to be subdivided:  
 when inside a fragment only Ck is allowed, when outside a fragment only Y, Z, S are  
 allowed.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 change accordingly  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.1**      *P* **345**      *L* **43**      # **930**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon  
*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Define exactly, when RxErr has to be set in correspondance to TC\_coding\_error signal.  
 According to page 336 line 50, every TC\_coding\_error would cause an RxErr. But in case of  
 a wrong sync octett during "all idle" codewords it makes no sense to setthe RxErr signal on  
 the Gamma-Interface.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Add exact definition. If necessary, adapt wording in page 336 line 50.  
*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 More precise definition will be added.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.1 P345 L 44 # 931  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Remote\_TC\_out\_of\_sync: This signal may stuck at 0 even if remote TC is out of sync, namely when local TC is out of sync and the local TC receive statemachine has no chance to detect the Y symbol. This does not seem to be a problem, as PCS\_link\_state is a logical OR of both signals. But a note with a hint to this possibility seems to be appropriate.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a note as described.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add note that the signal will remain at 0 until local synchronization has been achieved.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.2 P347 L 10 # 645  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

spelling

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "Initiatizing" with "Initializing"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.3 P347 L 40 # 646  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

List entry b) is very confusing

SuggestedRemedy

The opening paragraph to this subclause gives good description of where the TC-CRC is used. This bullet is confusing because a fragment doesn't necessarily end with an ethernet FCS. The parenthetical example is completely unnecessary given the description above. Remove it.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to: "(e.g., the first bit of the fragment corresponds to the  $x_{n-1}$  term and the last bit of the fragment corresponds to the  $x_0$  term.)"

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.3 P347 L 52 # 74  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The word "NOTE" is redundant, as this is obviously a footnote.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the word "NOTE" and the m-dash.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.4 P349 L 3 # 474  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Figure 61-16. The diagram might cause some confusion since if it is assumed to be showing transmit (implied by the comment that a1 and b8 are transmitted first), then the bytes are in reverse order.

Byte order should show: Sync, Ck, Data, FCS1-4, then TC-CRC1-2, Sync, Ck, ...

If the diagram is showing receive, with time flowing down the page (i.e. the oldest/first received byte is at the top of the figure), then everything's fine.

If a note is added that the example shows a receive stream, then everything's clear.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a note saying that the byte stream is shown on the receive end of a link.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Reverse order of bytes.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.5 P348 L 29 # 647  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

missing comma

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "Firstly the" with "Firstly, the"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.3.3.5**      **P 348**      **L 35**      **# 955**  
Frazier, Howard      SWI

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

The description of the state diagram does not follow our conventions. Variables should be specified as they are for the other state machines in this clause.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
See 61.2.3.3.8 for an example.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
See also comment #77.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.3.3.5**      **P 348**      **L 36**      **# 648**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**

The description of 4 Unequivocal Syncs is a little vague

**SuggestedRemedy**  
I don't understand what it means to have 4 consecutive syncs without an alternative sequence of more than 2 syncs during the same period. Clause 49 made it very explicit that you selected an alignment then followed it long enough to find out if the sync bits kept coming. If not, you searched for another alignment. While implementations could be efficient by running these in parallel, the description was very clear and straightforward. I highly recommend that you choose a similar approach.

This shouldn't require a lot of work. Make it clear that a single octet in a 65 octet barrel shifter is chosen as the sync octet. If 4 syncs are found in a row then you have sync. If not, increment the barrel shifter to the next octet then check it for alignment. Anytime you lose sync, increment the barrel shifter to the next octet.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

At these much lower speeds, parallel implementations will be commonplace, and the standard should be written to acknowledge/encourage this, rather than referring to a serial implementation.

Add more precise definition for "4 unequivocal syncs"

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.3.3.5**      **P 348**      **L 44**      **# 475**  
Cravens, George      Mindspeed

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

Unneeded commans

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Remove commas after FreeWheelSyncTrue and FreeWheelSyncFalse.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.3.3.5**      **P 348**      **L 44**      **# 956**  
Frazier, Howard      SWI

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

State names do not match Figure 61-17.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Change "FreeWheelSyncTrue" and "FreeWheelSyncFalse" to FREEWHEEL\_SYNC\_TRUE and FREEWHEEL\_SYNC\_FALSE respectively.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.2.3.3.5**      **P 350**      **L 1**      **# 77**  
Beck, Michael      Alcatel Bell n.v.

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

In Figure 61-17, many exit conditions are written in an unconventional way. Also, the "else" transition in state LOOKING is redundant.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
Replace exit conditions by proper expressions consisting of well-defined variables and signals.  
Remove "else" transition from state LOOKING.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.5 P 350 L 5 # 954  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The transition arcs that enter and leave the same state are unnecessary and should be deleted.

## SuggestedRemedy

Delete the "Else" arc on the state LOOKING, the "Missed Sync" arc on the state "FREEWHEEL\_SYNC\_TRUE" and the "Missed Sync" arc on the state "FREEWHEEL\_SYNC\_FALSE".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
See resolution of comment #649.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.6 P 348 L 52 # 650  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

wrong word

## SuggestedRemedy

replace "block in data" with "block of data"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 351 L 1 # 78  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

In the state diagram in Figure 61-18, state START\_FRAGMENT seems to contain two simultaneous actions, transmitSync() and transmitS(), which should really be executed sequentially.

## SuggestedRemedy

Split state START\_FRAGMENT into two states:  
- SYNC\_START, containing statement "IF k=0 THEN transmitSync()";  
- START\_FRAGMENT, containing statements "transmitS()" and "k := (k+1) mod 64".  
Transition from the new state SYNC\_START to the new state START\_FRAGMENT is unconditional.  
The new state SYNC\_START gets the entry conditions currently associated with START\_FRAGMENT.  
The new state START\_FRAGMENT gets the exit conditions currently associated with START\_FRAGMENT.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 351 L 4 # 957  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The transition arcs that enter and leave the same state are unnecessary and should be deleted.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove arcs that enter and leave the same state.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.  
States PULL\_PAF\_DATA1, PULL\_PAF\_DATA2 and ABORT\_FRAGMENT, all increment a counter k. The intent of the arcs that enter and leave the same state, is to repeatedly increment the counter while staying in the same state.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 351 L 43 # 932  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Loop variable is used for two different purposes:  
1) for generating the Y symbol (which should depend on TC\_synchronized) and  
2) for staying in this idle loop (which should depend on PCS\_link\_state).

## SuggestedRemedy

Split "loop" variable into two variables as described.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.  
The Task Force agreed to transmit a symbol consisting of SYNC / Y / 63 times Z to indicate out-of-sync. The loop variable is used to complete the symbol prior to returning to a normal idle or data state.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 352 L 28 # 79  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The function transmitData() transmits all data in the FIFO, i.e. up to 64 octets. It can take more than 1 Osync\_t clock to complete.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add "per octet of data transmitted" before "to complete".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 352 L 30 # 933  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The function transmitData() does not take one cycle to complete, but "as many as octetts of data are contained".

SuggestedRemedy  
change accordingly

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
Seel also comment #79.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 352 L 30 # 654  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

missing words

SuggestedRemedy  
replace "signal" with "signal for each data octet that is transmitted"  
Remove "to complete"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 352 L 54 # 934  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

"The state machine returns to its initial state any time the PCS\_link\_state variable becomes FALSE":  
1) it does not return immediately, but finishes the currenty transmitted fragment first.  
2) it does not return to ist initial state IDLE, but to SYNC\_IDLE.

SuggestedRemedy  
1) add: ", when transmission of current fragment is finished"  
2) change wording accordingly, e.g. "returns to the loop of three idle states". Alternatively, merge this 3 states into one.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add 1),  
initial state is SYNC\_IDLE

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 353 L 2 # 958  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The transition arcs that enter and leave the same state are unnecessary and should be deleted.

SuggestedRemedy  
Remove arcs that enter and leave the same state.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Remove the arc corresponding to condition "TC\_synchronized = FALSE" out of state LOSS\_OF\_SYNC2..

States IN\_FRAGMENT, OUT\_OF\_FRAGMENT and CODING\_VIOLATION, all increment a counter k. The intent of the arcs that enter and leave the same state, is to repeatedly increment the counter while staying in the same state.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 353 L 3 # 939  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

RxEOP is only mentioned once in the whole state machine, RxSOP never.  
Either define both signals completely (set and reset wherever appropriate), or remove this signal in LOSS\_OF\_SYNC1.

SuggestedRemedy  
in state LOSS\_OF\_SYNC1: remove RxEOP <= TRUE.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add RxSOP

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*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.8**      *P* **353**      *L* **3**      # **935**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Coding violation detection and "Remote\_TC\_out\_of\_sync"-detection are not implemented for e.g. "all idle" frame type

## SuggestedRemedy

In state "CHECK\_SYNC1", add Coding Violation <= TRUE in the "THEN"-Branch.  
From "CHECK\_SYNC1" to "COUNT\_CODING\_VIOL", add a transition with Coding Violation = TRUE condition.  
In state "OUT\_OF\_FRAGMENT", after B <= receiveOctet() and k <= k+1, add:  
Coding Violation <= TRUE;  
if k=1 and B=209 THEN  
remote\_TC\_out\_of\_sync <= TRUE;  
Coding Violation <= FALSE;  
ENDIF;  
IF B=80 or B=0 THEN  
Coding Violation <= FALSE;  
if k=1 THEN remote\_TC\_out\_of\_sync <= FALSE; ENDIF;  
ENDIF;  
Change transition conditions from OUT\_OF\_FRAGMENT:  
IF Coding Violation = TRUE: Goto "COUNT\_CODING\_VIOL"  
IF Coding Violation = FALSE and B=80 and k<> 65: Goto "START\_FRAGMENT"  
IF Coding\_Violation = FALSE and k=65: Goto CHECK\_SYNC1  
ELSE: Go back to "OUT\_OF\_FRAGMENT"

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Discuss / verify in STF.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.8**      *P* **353**      *L* **3**      # **937**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Resetting of remote\_TC\_out\_of\_sync is not done properly.

## SuggestedRemedy

add remote\_TC\_out\_of\_sync = FALSE in state END\_OF\_FRAGMENT. This state is only reached when a valid Ck is decoded.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This change prevents resetting of remote\_TC\_out\_of\_sync by invalid values of Ck. Review in STF.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.8**      *P* **353**      *L* **3**      # **938**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Resetting of TC\_coding\_error is not done properly. Transition from CHECK\_SYNC3 to LOSS\_OF\_SYNC1 leaves this signal set.

## SuggestedRemedy

in state CHECK\_SYNC3 add:  
TC\_Coding\_error = FALSE;

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Discuss / verify in STF

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.8**      *P* **353**      *L* **3**      # **940**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

In state END\_OF\_FRAGMENT:  
Valid kmax values are 0 to 63. Position k=1 is used for Ck-value. Therefore the IF-condition has to be changed.  
Additionally, k<=k+1 is contained in both branches and can therefore be moved out of the IF-clause.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change END\_OF\_FRAGMENT to:

IF (k<kmax+1) THEN  
B<=receiveOctet();  
sendOctetToPAF(B);  
ENDIF;  
k<=k+1;

Change transition conditions to "k>=kmax+1" and "k<kmax+1".

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Also change "kmax=66" transition from state DECODE to "kmax=64".

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*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.8**      *P* **353**      *L* **30**      # **936**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

State "DECODE" allows, when entered from CHECK\_SYNC2, a transition to OUT\_OF\_FRAGMENT or START\_FRAGMENT. That is forbidden (p. 345, line 36)

## SuggestedRemedy

Split DECODE-State into DECODE1 and DECODE2.

In detail:

STATE DECODE1, entered from CHECK\_SYNC2:

```

C <= receiveOctet();
kmax <= decode (C);
k <= 1;

```

Only two transitions from DECODE1:

```

IF kmax<64 (i.e. valid Ck): Goto END_OF_FRAGMENT;
ELSE: Goto COUNT_CODING_VIOLATION;

```

New STATE DECODE2, entered from CHECK\_SYNC3:

```

C <= receiveOctet();
kmax <= decode (C);
k <= 1;
IF C=209 THEN remote_TC_out_of_sync <= TRUE; ENDIF;
IF C=80 or C=0 THEN remote_TC_out_of_sync <= FALSE; ENDIF;

```

Three transitions from DECODE2:

```

IF C=0 or C=209: goto OUT_OF_FRAGMENT
IF C=80: goto START_FRAGMENT
IF kmax<64 (i.e. valid Ck): Goto END_OF_FRAGMENT;
ELSE: Goto COUNT_CODING_VIOLATION;

```

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Review/verify in STF

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.8**      *P* **354**      *L* **13**      # **661**  
Brown, Benjamin      Independent

*Comment Type*    **TR**      *Comment Status*    **D**

wrong max value for kmax

## SuggestedRemedy

According to table 61-12, the max value for k in Ck is 63. Change this value from 64 to 63.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.8**      *P* **354**      *L* **13**      # **941**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

"A return value between 0 and 64 indicates a valid Ck symbol was read": Only values between 0 and 63 are valid Ck-values.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change 64 to 63, also adapt other values:

Y/Z: 65 -> 64

S: 66 -> 65

Violation: >66 -> >65

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Make S ->64

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.8**      *P* **354**      *L* **15**      # **834**  
Tom Mathey      Independent

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

My hex to decimal calculator with subtraction has the S symbol when passed thru the Ck decode function as decoded to decimal 64, not decimal 66.

## SuggestedRemedy

Please check.

I also believe that the only valid decodes for length are 0 to 63, not 0 to 64.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to:

A return value between 0 and 63 indicates a valid Ck symbol was read. A return value of 65 indicates a Z symbol or a Y symbol was read. A return value of 64 indicates an S symbol was read. All other return values indicate a coding violation.

Make appropriate change to diagram.

*Cl* **61**      *SC* **61.2.3.3.8**      *P* **354**      *L* **36**      # **942**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

*Comment Type*    **T**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Definition of remote\_TC\_out\_of\_sync is wrong.

## SuggestedRemedy

TRUE and FALSE need to be flipped.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 354 L 48 # 943  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
function sendOctetToPaf() is not clocked by Tx\_clk, but by Rx\_clk.

SuggestedRemedy  
change "Tx\_clk (transmit clock)" to "Rx\_clk (receive clock)"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.3.8 P 354 L 48 # 662  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
wrong clock

SuggestedRemedy  
Change "TX\_clk (transmit clock)" to "RX\_clk (receive clock)"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3.4 P 355 L 22 # 894  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
meaning of 'infer a collision' not clear. Does it mean that the MAC sends a jam sequence if both signals are active?

SuggestedRemedy  
1. add a clarification note (i.e. sending a jam sequence)  
2. add an additional note that crs\_and\_tx\_en\_infer\_col is only relevant if tx\_rx\_simultaneously is not asserted

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Clause 61 does not define MAC behavior. This signal is used as an input in the rate-matching state machines (61-7 and 61-8).

Add sentence: "This signal is used in the rate-matching state machine diagrams (Figures 61-7 and 61-8)."

Cl 61 SC 61.2.33.38 P 351 L 1 # 830  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
The xDSL document G.993.1-2001-Final.pdf, p39, Table H-1/G.993.1 - PTM -TC: ā-interface Data, Synchronization and Control Flows Signal Summary shows several signals on the transmit path which should be in text and Figure 61-18: Tx\_Avbl, Tx\_EoP, Tx\_SoP, TX\_Err. The Tx\_SoP, TX\_Err signal are missing in text and in Figure 61-18.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add Tx\_SoP, TX\_Err signals to text and to Figure 61-18.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add signals. TX\_Err causes one byte of CRC to be inverted.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.33.38 P 354 L 1 # 833  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
The xDSL document G.993.1-2001-Final.pdf, p39, Table H-1/G.993.1 - PTM -TC: ā-interface Data, Synchronization and Control Flows Signal Summary shows several signals on the receive path which should be in text and Figure 61-19: Rx\_Avbl, Rx\_SoP, Rx\_EoP, RX\_Err. The Rx\_Avbl, Rx\_SoP signals are missing in text and in Figure 61-19.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add Rx\_Avbl, Rx\_SoP signals to text and to Figure 61-19.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Cl 61 SC 61.3.1 P 356 L 38 # 85  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
The sentence "At the time of publication, G.994.1 Revision 3 is in force." is inaccurate.

SuggestedRemedy  
Replace "At the time of publication, G.994.1 Revision 3 is in force." with "At the time of publication, G.994.1 Revision 3 as amended by Amendment 1 is in force."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC 61.3.1.1 P 356 L 43 # 835  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

While the port configuration is expected to be set via manual method (such as management variable, a fixed trace, or a jumper on a printed circuit board), if two ends of the link are both set to the same sub-type (both as \_R, or both as \_O) per 3.x.15 in table 45-72, then the handshake will fail but without any information back to the user as to why.

## SuggestedRemedy

To NPAR and SPAR, add ability to report the \_R and \_O setting of the link partner. Provide to clause 45 register and to clause 30 management access.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Units participating in a G.hs exchange identify themselves as a -R or -O subtype by means of the initialization tones. In case of a failure to bring up the link, analysis of these tones will reveal that both link ends are -R subtypes or -O subtypes.

This capability may be built into the PHY, in order to allow subtype negotiation.

Cl 61 SC 61.3.12 P 400 L 19 # 804  
Palm, Stephen Broadcom

Comment Type E Comment Status D

What is G.SHDSL?

## SuggestedRemedy

Delete G.shdsl or replace with 2BASE-TL

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to: "A G.994.1 session including configuration of the PMI Aggregation Function may violate the maximum activation time specified for SHDSL transceivers by ITU-T Recommendation G.991.2."

Cl 61 SC 61.3.12.1 P 400 L 34 # 164  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Current text proposes use of 2 consecutive CLR->CL->ACK sequences in case of Discovery and use of MR->etc. sequences for the link setup. This makes the RT unnecessary complicated, having to know and tracking the initialization states (Discovery vs. Setup) and also non G.994.1 compliant (CLR->CL->ACK, CLR->CL->ACK is not legal)

## SuggestedRemedy

Make the RT always start with an MR message. For the Discovery replace the CLR->CL->ACK, CLR->CL->ACK sequence with a legal MR->REQ-CLR->CLR->CL->ACK, MR->REQ-CLR->CLR->CL->ACK extended sequence.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

As specified in 61.3.12.3, the RT does start with an MR message.

Clarify text to specify that the second CLR->CL->ACK also starts with MR->REQ-CLR (this does help simplify the RT).

Cl 61 SC 61.3.12.1 P 401 L 1 # 91  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Typo.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "relevent" with "relevant".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.3.12.2 P 402 L 12 # 947  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

wrong command description

## SuggestedRemedy

change "write" to "set"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.12.2**      **P 402**      **L 16**      **# 895**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**  
 last part of setence beginning with 'set to the value for the PMI\_aggregate..' is not correct.  
 Bit 0 only has a binary value

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Remove last part of the sentence and add the following sentence: 'The -R device sets the bit position in the PMI\_aggregate\_register corresponidng upon which the G.994.1 exchange takes place.' Remove additionally the following sentence beginning with 'The CPE subtype ...' (already covered by new sentence)

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Review rewritten paragraph in STF to make sure its meaning is clear.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.12.2**      **P 402**      **L 31**      **# 948**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 Wrong cross reference.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 change 45-6 to 45-10

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.12.2**      **P 402**      **L 7**      **# 946**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 wrong command description

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 change "read" to "get"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.12.3**      **P 402**      **L 23**      **# 80**  
 Beck, Michael      Alcatel Bell n.v.

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**      *signed to Clause 61 by Editor*  
 This subclause is called "Timing and preferred transactions"; however, the repeated use of the word "shall" in the text makes these transactions normative. The commenter believes that the normative text in the referenced document (ITU-T Recommendation G.994.1) is already sufficiently specific, and that having normative text in this subclause limits the freedom of the implementer in an unnecessary way.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Replace all occurrences of "shall" in this subclause with "should".

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Text to be reviewed by Copper Sub Task Force, and PICS entries to be generated as appropriate.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.12.3**      **P 402**      **L 32**      **# 896**  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart      Infineon

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 origin of signal write\_remote\_aggregation, write\_remote\_discovery not clear

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 add a cross ref 45.2.1.13 - 45.2.1.15

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.5.1.1**      **P 358**      **L 15**      **# 86**  
 Beck, Michael      Alcatel Bell n.v.

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**  
 Table 61-13: the carrier set designated as "MCM" in this Table is called "V43" in the latest amended version of G.994.1.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Replace "MCM" with "V43".

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.5.1.1**      **P 358**      **L 15**      **# 796**  
Palm, Stephen      Broadcom

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

Values should be seperated with whitespace instead of semicolons so as to follow the Referenced G.994.1 format

**SuggestedRemedy**

Values should be seperated with whitespace instead of semicolons

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
Editor will attempt to replace the semicolons with whitespace of a visually pleasing width, if FrameMaker so allows.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.5.1.2**      **P 358**      **L 25**      **# 959**  
Frazier, Howard      SWI

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

Why is this subclause called "4 kHz signalling family" while the preceeding subclause is called "4.3125 kHz signalling family"?

**SuggestedRemedy**

Shouldn't they both be "4.3125 kHz signalling family"?

The same strange thing happens again on page 359 at line 12.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED REJECT.  
The text is correct. There are two distinct signaling families:  
-the 4.3125 kHz family is used by 10PASS-TS (and the ADSL/VDSL PMD family);  
-the 4 kHz (=4000Hz) family is used by 2BASE-TL (and the SHDSL PMD family).

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.8**      **P 359**      **L 24**      **# 162**  
Edward Beili      Actelis Networks Inc.

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**

The Aggregation and Discovery Handshake messages are defined separately, for each of the Phy types (10P and 2B). I see no reason to split these as they are common to both types. Besides the PMI type may not be set during discovery (e.g. for PMIs supporting both 10P and 2B). Also discovery messages are defined in Information field while they should probably be in Identification field.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Take them out from separate branches and put under the same common subtree for both types. Define discovery messages in the Identification field.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED REJECT.  
Only two Information Field SPar(1) codepoints have been assigned to our Task Force by ITU-T Study Group 15 / Question 4. These codepoints are used to identify 10PASS-TS and 2BASE-TL transceivers. Therefore, any further handshake-negotiated functions we have specified, necessarily resides at the XPar(2) level and below.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.8.6.4**      **P 360**      **L 17-18**      **# 797**  
Palm, Stephen      Broadcom

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**

Section 9.3.4/G.994.1 is completely independent of the modulation (or port) that is to be negotiated. Additionally, the proposed force to zero does not allow non-standard extensions. Finally this will make the IEEE equipment incompatible to G.994.1

**SuggestedRemedy**

Change to: Paragraph 4: referenced as is.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.8.7**      **P 360**      **L 39**      **# 84**  
Beck, Michael      Alcatel Bell n.v.

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

This subclause consists of 38 pages of tables. It breaks the continuity of the document, pushing some very interesting information (61.3.12) way too far back in the Clause.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Move the content of this subclause to a normative Annex 61B, as shown in the attached pdf. Condense the remaining content of 61.3.2 and 61.3.11 to list only exceptions, in the style of Clauses 62 and 63.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 61**      **SC 61.3.8.7.4**      **P 371**      **L 54**      **# 457**  
Squire, Matt      Hatteras Networks

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

Space between "4" and "."

**SuggestedRemedy**

Remove it

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 61 SC 61.8 P 403 L 30 # 154  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The suggested PHY label description examples in a) and b) are not accurate and complete.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace a) and b) with the following text:

- a) PMA/PMD (sub-)type. A Type (e.g. 10PASS-TS) can be specified if both -O and -R subtypes are supported. A Sub-type shall be specified (e.g. 10PASS-TS-R) if only a single subtype is supported.
- b) PAF capability if supported. The following information shall be provided: Number of MII/PCS ports provided; Max number of PMIs per MII/PCS; Total number of PMIs. For example:
- x8 or 1x8:8 for a single MII port with 8 PMIs
  - 2x2:4 for a device with 2 MII ports and 4 PMIs, which can be aggregated up to two PMIs per port.
  - 4x4:4 for a device with 4 MII ports, 4 PMIs and ability to aggregate up to 4 PMIs per port.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

As this is a recommendation, the word "shall" is to be avoided.

Replace a) and b) with the following text:

- a) PMA/PMD (sub-)type. A Type (e.g. 10PASS-TS) can be specified if both -O and -R subtypes are supported. A Sub-type should be specified (e.g. 10PASS-TS-R) if only a single subtype is supported.
- b) PAF capability if supported. The following information should be provided: Number of MII/PCS ports provided; Max number of PMIs per MII/PCS; Total number of PMIs. For example:
- x8 or 1x8:8 for a single MII port with 8 PMIs
  - 2x2:4 for a device with 2 MII ports and 4 PMIs, which can be aggregated up to two PMIs per port.
  - 4x4:4 for a device with 4 MII ports, 4 PMIs and ability to aggregate up to 4 PMIs per port.

CI 61 SC 61.9 P 404 L 54 # 960  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing the PICS copyright release statement. This is important.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add the following footnote at the bottom of the page:

Copyright release for PICS proformas: Users of this standard may freely reproduce the PICS proforma in this clause so that it can be used for its intended purpose and may further publish the completed PICS.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 61 SC 61-11 P 334 L 20 # 453  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status D

This is about the transitions from WAIT\_FOR\_NEXT\_FRAGMENT to ERROR\_HANDLING.

It seems like

(a) we have two ways to say that we haven't processed a fragment: noFragmentProcessed and (nextFragmentSequenceNumber != expectedFragmentSequenceNumber) where we could do with one or the other

(b) We could combine the latter two conditions of that transition into:

(noFragmentProcessed \* (oneQueueNonEmpty + allActiveQueuesNonEmpty))

## SuggestedRemedy

Clarify the transition as explained above.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 61 SC 62.2.2.4.3 P 333 L 29 # 653  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

single list of variables, functions, etc.

## SuggestedRemedy

Separate this list by constant, variable, function, etc. See 57.3.1 for an example.

Same comment applies to 61.2.3.3.8 - also, the list of variables, functions, etc., should precede the state diagrams.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 61 SC Figure 61-1 P 319 L 23 # 622  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

It is not obvious that the 2BASE-TL and the 10PASS-TS PCS is the same thing based on this figure, given that one has a reference to G.993.1 and the other has a sublayer blowout

## SuggestedRemedy

Make both sides of this figure look the same. Also, see my comment on making PMI Aggregation a sublayer.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The NOTE below Figure 61-1 states: "The PCS shown in the 2BASE-TL PHY and the PCS shown in the 10PASS-TS PHY are two instances of one unique PCS, specified in this Clause." This should be sufficient.

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<b>Cl 61</b>	<b>SC Figure 61-11</b>	<b>P 334</b>	<b>L 5</b>	<b># 638</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
Missing functions				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
There are several functions called in this state diagram that aren't described. They include:				
* smallest fragmentSequenceNumber				
* errorDetection (though this is described in 61.2.2.7 - it should be referenced from within a function description)				
* Buffer Overflow				
* Unexpected Start of Packet				
* Unexpected End of Packet				
<b>Proposed Response</b>		<b>Response Status W</b>		
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
Definitions to be agreed during Copper Sub Task Force meeting.				

<b>Cl 61</b>	<b>SC Figure 61-17</b>	<b>P 350</b>	<b>L 1</b>	<b># 649</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
BEGIN isn't defined for this state diagram				
No functions for this state diagram				
A counter would be a useful addition				
Hysteresis would even be a better one				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
Add a BEGIN variable definition				
The bullet list in 61.2.3.3.5 should be part of a list of functions				
Counter:				
Remove "4th missed sync"				
Add a counter (n)				
Set n <= 0 in SYNCED state				
Increment n on every entry to both "Freewheel" states				
Change transition from FREEWHEEL_SYNC_TRUE to FREEWHEEL_SYNC_TRUE to missed_sync * n<3				
Change transition from FREEWHEEL_SYNC_TRUE to FREEWHEEL_SYNC_FALSE to missed_sync * n=3				
Change transition from FREEWHEEL_SYNC_FALSE to FREEWHEEL_SYNC_FALSE to missed_sync * n<7				
Change transition from FREEWHEEL_SYNC_FALSE to LOOKING to missed_sync * n=7				
Would it be useful to add some hysteresis? It takes 8 bad syncs to lose lock but only 1 to gain it again. If one out of 8 is good, it would take a long time to lose sync. Wouldn't you want as many good as bad to get you back to synced?				
<b>Proposed Response</b>		<b>Response Status W</b>		
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
As per suggested remedy, but without changing the function underlying state machine.				

<b>Cl 61</b>	<b>SC Figure 61-17</b>	<b>P 350</b>	<b>L 17</b>	<b># 829</b>
Tom Mathey		Independent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
While the text and usage of TC_synchronized has been in use for many drafts, it is actually the proper and complete definition of PCS_link_state.				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
Replace all usage of TC_synchronized with PCS_link_state.				
<b>Proposed Response</b>		<b>Response Status W</b>		
PROPOSED REJECT.				
It is recognized that the term "PCS_link_state" may be a better description of the meaning of the TC_synchronized signal. However, this name is already in used at the gamma-interface.				

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Cl 61 SC Figure 61-17 P350 L 39 # 476  
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

As shown, the Sync detect state machine will regain sync after only one expected sync when in the Freewheel\_Sync\_False state. Since it takes four unequivocal syncs to enter the Synced state from the looking state (and transition TC\_Synchronized from false to true), the same condition must be required to enter Synced from Freewheel\_Sync\_False.

In fact, the Freewheel\_Sync\_False state could simply be deleted, and the Freewheel\_Sync\_True state transition back to looking since the only difference between the Freewheel\_Sync\_False state and the Looking state is the ease of returning to Synced.

As it stands, once the Synced state is achieved, a sequence of one good sync in five will toggle the TC\_Synchronized bit every five codewords, and one good sync in forever is all it takes to return the machine to the Synced state.

## SuggestedRemedy

Delete the FREEWHEEL\_SYNC\_FALSE state and change the "4th Missed Sync" transition from the FREEWHEEL\_SYNC\_TRUE state to go back to the LOOKING state.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

It was the intention of the Copper Sub Task Force to make re-entry into a synced state after temporary loss of synchronization relatively easy. Due to the bursty nature of errors on DSL links, it is possible to lose a large number of data octets, without losing PMD-frame/byte synchronization. Such errors should not lead to a prolonged loss-of-sync at the PCS layer.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-18 P351 L 1 # 652  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

pullOctet() - can data be pulled across this interface in 0 time? Does any delay here affect the alpha interface?

## SuggestedRemedy

I can't find anything in the text (no, I didn't read the ITU references) that discusses this but it seems funny that you can loop 65 times pulling data across this interface without any reference to time then call the transmitData function that is very particular with respect to time.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

For proper operation of the transmit path at the gamma-interface, the entity above the gamma-interface must indeed have an entire transmit fragment ready for transmission at whichever speed the PMA desires, prior to asserting Tx\_Avble.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-18 P351 L 1 # 831  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Item 1: State diagram and text is missing the ability to respond to a 3.0.15 reset signal via management.

Item 2: Text on page 352 line 54 of "The state machine returns to its initial state any time the PCS\_link\_state variable becomes FALSE." means that the state machine is stuck in the IDLE state. A stuck in the idle state means that sync bytes and remote fault code 0xD1 can not be sent.

Item 3: When the receive path is receiving the remote fault code 0xD1, it is required to block the transmit path and send only idles (and not remote fault code 0xD1).

Item 4: From state UPDATE\_K the exit "ELSE" allows or forces a transition to state START\_FRAGMENT (and thus transmit data) when signal loop = FALSE, even if signal Tx\_Avail = FALSE. Note that the transmit path signal "loop" says nothing about the receive path getting a sequence of sync followed by remote fault.

Item 5: In state SYNC\_IDLE, term Tx\_sync'd from figure 61-17 is misnamed. To match ALL of the other physical layers within the base standard, signal term Tx\_sync'd needs to be named PCS\_link\_status.

Item 6: From state IDLE TO DATA\_1, the exit to ABORT\_FRAG starts sending the remote fault sequence. This seems like a very strange sequence to send at the end of a frame.

Item 7: From state START\_FRAGMENT:

- the exit condition for k= 0 performs no additional actions that are unique to k=0 as all necessary actions specific to k=0 are performed within the state.
- Then the actions performed in the 3 states "PULL\_PAF\_DATA\_2, SYNC\_DATA, and ALL\_DATA" are identical to the actions in states "PULL\_PAF\_DATA\_1, IDLE TO DATA\_1, and IDLE TO DATA 2".

Item 8: transition from state PULL\_PAF\_DATA\_2 to SYNC\_END via TxEOP \*k<64 results in a transmit of sync byte at wrong time.

Item 9: States SYNC\_END and END\_FRAG capture the sequence of sync byte and length byte. State END\_DATA then sends the sequence to the alpha-beta interface. There are now k octets of data left in the fifo buffer above the gamma interface. There is no repeated call to function pullOctets for k counts to transfer data on to lower layer.

Item 10: From state END\_DATA the exit "ELSE" allows or forces a transition to state START\_FRAGMENT (and thus transmit data) when signalPCS\_LINK\_STATE = TRUE, even if signal Tx\_Avail = FALSE.

## SuggestedRemedy

Item 1: Add text to support a MMD wacking of state machine.

Item 2: Harmonize.

Item 3: Show the two independent conditions of:

- transmit path blocks MAC frames and only transmits idles when receive path is receiving remote fault sequence sync, code 0xD1, idles.
- transmit path blocks MAC frames and only transmits remote fault sequence sync, code 0xD1, idles when receive path signal PCS\_link\_state = FALSE.

Item 4: From state UPDATE\_K:

- exit "ELSE" should be "(signal Tx\_Avail = TRUE) and (PCS\_link\_status = TRUE) and (receive path not getting sequence sync followed by remote fault code 0xD1). Additional terms are needed to support gamma interface signal TxSOP.
- Exit to state SYNC\_IDLE does not need to include term Tx\_Avail since term loop = TRUE overrides completely.

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Item 5: rename Tx\_sync'd to PCS\_link\_status.  
 Item 6: remove state ABORT\_FRAG, RESET\_K.  
 Item 7: Combine states "PULL\_PAF\_DATA\_2, SYNC\_DATA, and ALL\_DATA" with states "PULL\_PAF\_DATA\_1, IDLE TO DATA\_1, and IDLE TO DATA 2". Transition from PULL\_PAF\_DATA\_2 to SYNC\_END does what transition from IDLE TO DATA\_1 to SYNC\_END tried to do.  
 Item 8: Suggest terms TxEOP= FALSE \*k=64 for exit to SYNC\_DATA and TxEOP= TRUE \*k=64 for exit to SYNC\_END.  
 Item 9: Send remaining octets to alpha-beta.  
 Item 10: suggest "ELSE" should be "(signal Tx\_Avail = TRUE) and (PCS\_link\_status = TRUE) ) and (receive path not getting sequence sync followed by remote fault code 0xD1). Additional terms are needed to support gamma interface signal TxSOP. Additional exit is needed to support (receive path is getting sequence sync followed by remote fault code 0xD1).

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Item 1: Responding to 3.0.15 reset signal is not supported. Introducing this feature now requires consensus from the Copper Sub Task Force.

Item 2: See resolution of comment #651.

Item 3: These two situations are differentiated by the value of variable "loop".

Item 4: The assertion from the commenter is incorrect;  
 ! (Tx\_Avble=FALSE + loop=TRUE)  
 is equivalent to  
 Tx\_Avble=TRUE \* loop=FALSE

Item 5: Unfortunately, the "PCS\_link\_state" is already in use.

Item 6: In the state ABORT\_FRAGMENT, the function transmitZ is called with the second argument equal to FALSE, which ensures that the normal idle sequence is sent, not the remote fault sequence.

Item 7: The difference is that if k=0 at the start of the fragment, one doesn't have to account for the possibility of a fragment end within the same codeword.

Item 8: To be verified.

Item 9: The data was previously pulled from the gamma-interface in state PULL\_PAF\_DATA2.

Item 10: The assertion from the commenter is incorrect;  
 ! (Tx\_Avble=FALSE + PCS\_link\_state=FALSE)  
 is equivalent to  
 Tx\_Avble=TRUE \* PDS\_link\_state=TRUE

<b>Cl 61</b>	<b>SC Figure 61-18</b>	<b>P 351</b>	<b>L 1</b>	<b># 651</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		

*Comment Type*    **TR**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Changes below

### *Suggested Remedy*

Add a new function (similar to an\_enableCHANGE from Clause 37) -  
 PCS\_link\_stateCHANGE This function monitors the PCS\_link\_state variable for a state change. The function is set to TRUE on state change detection. Values : TRUE; A PCS\_link\_state variable state change has been detected. FALSE; A PCS\_link\_state variable state change has not been detected (default). NOTE — PCS\_link\_stateCHANGE is set by this function definition; it is not set explicitly in the state diagrams.  
 PCS\_link\_stateCHANGE evaluates to its default value upon state entry.  
 Add a new state INIT  
 Global entry into INIT: PCS\_link\_stateCHANGE=TRUE \* PCS\_link\_state=FALSE  
 Within state INIT: k <= 0, loop <= TRUE  
 UCT transition from INIT to SYNC\_IDLE

Remove the 3 sentences at the bottom of page 352

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

<b>Cl 61</b>	<b>SC Figure 61-19</b>	<b>P 353</b>	<b>L 1</b>	<b># 660</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		

*Comment Type*    **TR**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Startup conditions

### *Suggested Remedy*

Add a global input to LOSS\_OF\_SYNC2 controlled by "Reset"

Add a new function (similar to an\_enableCHANGE from Clause 37) -  
 TC\_synchronizedCHANGE This function monitors the TC\_synchronized variable for a state change. The function is set to TRUE on state change detection. Values : TRUE; A TC\_synchronized variable state change has been detected. FALSE; A TC\_synchronized variable state change has not been detected (default). NOTE — TC\_synchronizedCHANGE is set by this function definition; it is not set explicitly in the state diagrams.  
 TC\_synchronizedCHANGE evaluates to its default value upon state entry.  
 Add a global input to OUT\_OF\_FRAGMENT controlled by  
 TC\_synchronizedCHANGE=TRUE \* TC\_synchronized=TRUE

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

State diagram to be approved by Copper Sub Task Force.

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Cl 61 SC Figure 61-19 P 353 L 1 # 832  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Item 1: State diagram and text is missing the ability to respond to a 3.0.15 reset signal via management.  
Item 2: State COUNT\_CODING\_VIOL captures only one of the three types of errors listed on page 35, lines 38 to 42.  
Item 3: State START\_FRAG is missing exit condition.  
Item 4: The largest number of payload bytes which can exist in the ending sequence of sync = xF0, sync byte = length is a length value of 0 to 63. This is Kmax, the decoded value of a Ck symbol. However, exit conditions from state DECODE have Kmax as 65 and 66. Decimal 65 is the decoded value for remote fault. However, decimal 66 is an illegal value.  
Item 5: State END\_OF\_FRAG attempts to handle all sequences of payload, sync = xF0, sync byte = length, remaining payload. At least two sequences are not allowed for:  
a. sequence payload, sync = xF0, sync byte = 0  
b. sequence payload, sync = xF0, sync byte = remote fault code  
Once the bytes are sent up, the signal RxEOP is not asserted, and signal RXAvail is not deasserted.

## SuggestedRemedy

Item 1: Add text and change state diagram to support a MMD wacking of state machine.  
Item 2: Add missing condition for setting and clearing signal TX\_coding\_error  
Item 3: Add UCT as exit condition.  
Item 4: Change values to correct number. All exits from state DECODE have to at some point mark payload with end of frame, else bytes are left in a fifo/buffer and concatenated with next set of payload bytes.  
Item 5: Correct to allow for all values of sync byte lengths. Note that a length can be followed by start of frame for the next fragment.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Item 1: Responding to 3.0.15 reset signal is not supported. Introducing this feature now requires consensus from the Copper Sub Task Force.  
Item 2-5: To be discussed in Copper Sub Task Force, and modified as necessary.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-19 P 353 L 1 # 655  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The B variable

## SuggestedRemedy

Since B is of type octet, it would be much clearer to read this state diagram if all comparisons are in hexadecimal, rather than decimal. Replace all comparisons with their hexadecimal equivalents.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-19 P 353 L 1 # 659  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Don't assign conditions to false

## SuggestedRemedy

The following variables should never be assigned to the value FALSE:  
expectedSync  
missedSync

Instead, they should have a "DEFAULT" value of FALSE, which converts them back to FALSE on every state transition where they are not assigned

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-19 P 353 L 1 # 656  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Shared transitions

## SuggestedRemedy

Transition arrows should never be shared unless the transition conditions and destinations are identical. This state diagram has several. Fix them.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-19 P 353 L 1 # 657  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The protocol described in Table 61-11 doesn't support S instead of C from what I can tell

## SuggestedRemedy

Explain in the previous sections how this can work or get rid of the transition from DECODE state when kmax=66 or show that when kmax=66, an error is generated on the previous packet.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Precise text to be provided at Copper Sub Task Force meeting.

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Cl 61 SC **Figure 61-19** P 353 L 47 # 658  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

Transitions are wrong. They don't provide the correct counts, or at least they didn't using the examples that I chose.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace the transitions from END\_OF\_FRAGMENT state:  
k >= kmax changes to k > kmax  
k < kmax changes to k <= kmax

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
(To be verified.)

Cl 61 SC **Figure 61-8** P 328 L 31 # 634  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**

Remove IPG\_Done

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a state below "SEND\_FRAME\_TO\_MAC\_1" called "WAIT\_FOR\_IPG"  
Change transition out of "SEND\_FRAME\_TO\_MAC\_1" to be RX\_DV=FALSE and have the transition move to the new "WAIT\_FOR\_IPG" state  
Inside the "WAIT\_FOR\_IPG" state, add the term: start ipg\_timer  
The transition out of "WAIT\_FOR\_IPG" state is: ipg\_timer\_done = TRUE  
This transition takes you to "IDLE"  
Don't share the transition to "IDLE" from "SEND\_FRAME\_TO\_MAC\_2" with this one since the conditions are not identical.  
Remove IPG\_Done from 61.2.1.3.2  
Add ipg\_timer to 61.2.1.3.3 with a description of: Timer used to generate a gap between receive packets across the MII. Duration: 960 ns, tolerance +/- 100 ppm

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC **Figure 61-8** P 331 L 14 # 632  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**

Need a "transferFrame" function

## SuggestedRemedy

In "SEND\_FRAME\_TO\_MAC\_1" and "SEND\_FRAME\_TO\_MAC\_2" states, add a call to the "transferFrame" function  
Add a subclause between 61.2.1.3.3 and 61.2.1.3.4 for functions.  
Add a "transferFrame" function to this new subclause that describes sending the frame to the MAC across the MII "according to the MII protocol as described in 22.2". Describe adding the preamble and SFD if this is the appropriate place for it.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC **General** P 318 L # 558  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

The management functions of the EFM copper are not specified correctly. Many functions are not defined in Clause 30, and consequently will not be accessible through OAM, as OAM functions are defined in terms of the Clause 30 MIB. Ethernet SNMP functions are also traditionally defined in terms of Clause 30 and not directly into any specific interface type.

## SuggestedRemedy

Rewrite the clause and supporting clauses consistent with 802.3 specification approaches. State diagrams reference register definitions, where relevant. Clause 30 references register bits and state diagrams. OAM points to the Clause 30 MIB, not internal functions of Clause 61. If something is expected to be in an SNMP MIB, it should have the capability specified in Clause 30.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

The Copper Sub Task Force has deliberately chosen to divide registers into two categories.

A first category of objects has either only internal significance or allows a level of detailed control not ordinarily needed for normal operation. The registers for these objects can be read/written by means of the Clause 45 MDIO or an equivalent interface, if implemented.

A second category of objects controls the macroscopic behavior of the EFM Copper devices in terms of discrete, well-defined and testable profiles. These profiles are defined in Annex 62A (10PASS-TS) and Annex 63A (2BASE-TL) and can be controlled by means of dedicated Clause 30 managed objects.

In some cases, equivalent managed objects may appear in Clause 45 and Clause 30. These objects require manageability regardless of the way in which OAM is implemented.

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Cl 61 SC Table 61-108 P386 L 16 # 944  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Table 61-108 is between 61-94 and 61-95.

SuggestedRemedy  
move to the correct place.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
Editor to update table properties.

Cl 61 SC Table 61-12 P346 L 36 # 828  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
P802.3ae Clause 1.2.5 line 27 has defined the method used for hex notation as 0x. This now part of the base standard.

SuggestedRemedy  
Scrub entire document and change all hex numbers to read as "0x"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC Table 61-137 P397 L 26 # 945  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
three columns undefined

SuggestedRemedy  
add 3 times "x"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.  
Unfortunately, this is the notation used in ITU-T Recommendation G.994.1 to indicate that bits 5 and 4 of this octet carry bits 31 and 30 of the PMI\_Aggregate\_Register, if and only if bit 6 of this octet is set to 1.

Cl 61 SC Table 61-143 P399 L 13-14 # 803  
Palm, Stephen Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
See comment for Table 61-23

SuggestedRemedy  
Table 61-143: "Silence period length (bits 6-1 x 10s, from 10 seconds to 10.5 minutes (630 seconds))"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.  
See comment #801.

Cl 61 SC Table 61-20 P361 L # 799  
Palm, Stephen Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Why is Table 61-20 included as it appears to be identical to Table 10/G.994.1

SuggestedRemedy  
Delete Table; Reference G.994.1

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.  
The table is included because footnote b to Table 61-20 is more specific than the corresponding footnote in ITU-T Recommendation G.994.1.

Cl 61 SC Table 61-21 P362 L 17-20 # 798  
Palm, Stephen Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
The "Standard information field ? SPAR(1)" bits for IEEE 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS Ports is confusing with the reference document? only some of the bits are shown.

SuggestedRemedy  
Delete Table; Reference G.994.1

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Replace first sentence of 61.3.8.7.1 with:  
"Table 61-20 contains the Npar(1) codepoints common to 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS. The SPAR(1) codepoints to be used by 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS transceivers are specified in ITU-T Recommendation G.994.1. The EFM-specific codepoints are shown in Table 61-21 for information only."

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CI 61 SC Table 61-23 P 363 L 20-23 # 801  
Palm, Stephen Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Note a  
This description is flawed and mislocated "Setting the bit in MS message requests a silence period, of 1-255 seconds long, as specified by the silence period length field. If the length is set to 00 16 , the peer station shall remain silent for 10 minutes (640 s)."

SuggestedRemedy

Move to note for Table 61-25: "Silence period length (bits 6-1 x 10s, from 10 seconds to 42.5 minutes)"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.  
The description is unambiguous. The current location of the footnote seems to be adequate.

CI 61 SC Table 61-23 P 363 L 20-23 # 800  
Palm, Stephen Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Note a  
If "The silent period bit shall be set in CLR or CL message" then the "silence period length" cannot be transmitted.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete "The silence period length shall be set to 00 16 in CLR and CL messages."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 61 SC Table 61-25 P 364 L # 802  
Palm, Stephen Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D

See comment for Table 61-23

SuggestedRemedy

Table 61-25: "Silence period length (bits 6-1 x 10s, from 10 seconds to 10.5 minutes (630 seconds))"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 61A SC 61A P 564 L # 904  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

add an example which covers discovery, PMI aggregation and line activation with the use of g.994.1

SuggestedRemedy

see attached document 'Riess\_01\_1103'

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Needs review in STF

CI 62 SC 62 P 412 L 1 # 836  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Clause 62 has a number of misplace and/or missing register bits.  
Some of the clause 45 registers are generic, and apply to all of the places where used. Examples are reset, loopback, OUI or device identifiers, etc. For those persons who did not participate in the 10G development of Clause 45, this requirement is easily missed. For example, it is not obvious that the PMA layer requires a loopback capability, and there is no text in Clause 61, 62, or 63 to support loopback

SuggestedRemedy

Include table to show which registers are required (Reset, loopback, OUI or MMD device identifier, etc.).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add sentence the end of 62.1.1:

"Register 3.4.1 and registers 3.44 through 3.59 specified in Clause 45 may be used to control the PCS of Clause 61. Registers 1.16 through 1.55 and 6.0 through 6.12290 specified in Clause 45 may be used to control the 10PASS-TS PMA and PMD."

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**Cl 62**      **SC 62.1.1**      **P 412**      **L 7**      **# 462**  
 Barrass, Hugh      Cisco Systems

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

This implies that Clause 61 is incorporated into Clause 62 (by reference) - which, of course, it isn't!

Also, a 10PASS-TS PHY requires all parts of the Clause 61 PCS - not just the 64/65 octet part.

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Change the 2nd sentence of this paragraph to:

In order to form a complete 10PASS-TS PHY, the 10PASS-TS PMA and PMD shall be integrated with the PCS of Clause 61.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 62**      **SC 62.1.3**      **P 412**      **L 22**      **# 87**  
 Beck, Michael      Alcatel Bell n.v.

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

T1.424/Trial-Use has a limited lifetime (2 years ending March 2004) . Its successor, American National Standard T1.424, is currently being balloted. Note that the document structure and content are identical between the Trial-Use standard and the American National Standard, with the exception of SCM modulation, which doesn't appear in the American National Standard.

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Update all references to T1.424/Trial-Use by pointing to the American National Standard.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 62**      **SC 62.3.4**      **P 416**      **L 54**      **# 464**  
 Barrass, Hugh      Cisco Systems

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**

By allowing optional specifications which may be implemented or ommitted arbitrarily, it will be impossible to predict what the behavior of any communicating pair of PHYs will be.

This is not a standard!

If a feature is required for the standard then it must be mandatory. If a feature is not necessary then it should be out of scope (& therefore not enabled).

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Change sentences:

"Implementation of optional specifications in MCM-VDSL is not required for compliance with this standard. If optional features are implemented, their use is negotiated between 10PASS-TS-O and 10PASS-TS-R during initialization."

to:

"Optional specifications in MCM-VDSL are out of scope unless explicitly referenced in this document as mandatory. If out of scope optional features are implemented, their use prohibited in 10PASS-TS operation."

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status W*  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Change sentences:  
 "Implementation of optional specifications in MCM-VDSL is not required for compliance with this standard. If optional features are implemented, their use is negotiated between 10PASS-TS-O and 10PASS-TS-R during initialization."  
 to:  
 "Optional specifications in MCM-VDSL are out of scope unless explicitly referenced in this document as mandatory.  
 NOTE---If optional features are implemented, their use is negotiated between 10PASS-TS-O and 10PASS-TS-R during initialization."

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Cl 62 SC 62.3.4.1 P417 L 50 # 465  
Barrass, Hugh Cisco Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

If 10PASS-TS PHYs have optional capabilities regarding the support for band 0, then more port types are required:

10PASS-TS-O-N0 10PASS-TS-R-N0 (type O & type R - no use of band 0)  
10PASS-TS-O-U0 10PASS-TS-R-U0 (type O & type R - use of band 0 for upstream)  
10PASS-TS-O-D0 10PASS-TS-R-D0 (type O & type R - use of band 0 for downstream)  
10PASS-TS-O-B0 10PASS-TS-R-B0 (type O & type R - use of band 0 for both upstream and downstream)

This will then cause confusion about what combinations of PHY capabilities must be chosen in order to get a specific operational mode.

Alternatively, the use of band 0 in either direction could be made mandatory - its use is then negotiated during handshake to ensure compliance with local regulations (& operator requirements). This remedy is recommended by the commenter.

## SuggestedRemedy

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All 10PASS-TS PHYs shall support the use of the band between 25 kHz and 138 kHz for either upstream or downstream transmission. The use of this band shall be negotiated during the initialization to select one of the following options:

- a) Use of the band for upstream transmission
- b) Use of the band for downstream transmission
- c) The band is not used.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Support for the use of the frequency band between 25 kHz and 138 kHz is mandatory for 10PASS-TS PHYs by virtue of PICS entry 10PProf-1 (Annex 62A). The band is only "optional" in the sense that it may be activated or deactivated by the owner of the 10PASS-TS-O.

The words "if the capability exists" are therefore redundant and misleading.

Delete the words "indicate if the capability exists and".

Cl 62 SC 62.3.4.9.1 P422 L 10 # 451  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status D

This subclause, and the following subclauses 62.3.4.9.2 to 62.3.4.9.5 do not follow the format of the changes provided in the prior subclauses.

## SuggestedRemedy

A subclause that provides a replacement to a MCM-VDSL subsection should have a title that reads: 'Replacement of N.N.N, "<TITLE>"' where N.N.N is the subsection in MCM-VDSL and TITLE is the title of that subsection.

As an example subclause 62.3.4.9.2 which currently reads:

62.3.4.9.2 Description of signals

Replace section 12.2 of MCM-VDSL with the following:  
The carrier set and signals used are specified in 61.3.

should read:

62.3.4.9.2 Replacement of 12.2, "Description of signals"  
The carrier set and signals used are specified in 61.3.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 62 SC 62.3.5.1.1 P427 L 20 # 82  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The 2 NOTES in this subclause contain "shall" statements. This is in contradiction with the informative nature of a NOTE. Also, the numbering style for the NOTES does not comply with the SA Style Guide.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace all occurrences of "shall" in these NOTES with "should", and restyle in compliance with Style Guide.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

# P802.3ah Draft 3.0 Comments

Cl 62 SC 62.3.5.3 P 428 L 18 # 81  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The NOTE in this subclause contains a "shall" statement. This is in contradiction with the informative nature of a NOTE.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "shall" with "should".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 62A SC 62A.1 P 566 L 3 # 160  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

2B defines 10 exemplary complete Profiles, representing specific sets of Data Rate, Power, PSD mask (Region) and Constellation. 10P defines only a single default complete profile. It would be beneficial for the ease of deployment/management, if we could define a number of complete profiles for 10P as well, representing specific sets of Bandplan, PSD mask, UPBO Reference PSD, Notching parameters and Payload rates.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a number of Complete Profiles for 10P in Annex 62A. Define a corresponding clause 30 management variable.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Create a clause 30 management variable which selects any of the complete profiles used as test cases in Table 62B-1. The new variable overrides the existing variables for the individual profile settings, unless it is set to zero.

Cl 62A SC 62A.3.6 P 569 L 51 # 460  
Barrass, Hugh Cisco Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Simulations presented at the Task Force meeting in November 2003 suggest that certain payload rate profiles are untestable and therefore these profiles must be removed from the standard.

The presentation of the simulation results is referenced:

[http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/802/3/efm/public/nov03/copper/EFM\\_Albuquerque\\_draft\\_1110c.pdf](http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/802/3/efm/public/nov03/copper/EFM_Albuquerque_draft_1110c.pdf)

Downstream rates 100 and 75 and upstream rate 35 are all excluded from the recommended set of tests, therefore these three must be removed.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 2nd half of paragraph to:

Drate values of 2.5, 5, 7.5, 10, 12.5, 15, 25, 35 and 50 shall be supported where the loop environment, bandplan and PSD mask allow this. Urate values of 2.5, 5, 7.5, 10, 12.5, 15, 25 and 50 shall be supported where the loop environment, bandplan and PSD mask allow this. This leads to a total of 8 symmetric and 64 asymmetric Payload Rate Profiles.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

There is no strict requirement that all manageable settings have corresponding test requirements (example: support for bit rates up to 5696 kb/s is mandatory for 2BASE-TL, but Annex 63B only has tests up to 1024 kb/s).

10PASS-TS PHYs have a lot of flexibility, which may effectively be used to design configurations that allow bit rates of up to 100 Mb/s downstream or 35 Mb/s upstream.

Cl 62A SC 62A.3.7 P 570 L 46 # 76  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The "complete profile" is incomplete.

SuggestedRemedy

Add "UPBO reference PSD profile" to the list of components of a complete profile.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 62A**      **SC 62A.5**      **P 574**      **L 1**      **# 435**  
 Law, David      3Com

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status D**

The PICS proforma needs a copyright release statement. In addition the introduction boilerplate text is missing.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a copyright release statement for the PICS as a footnote.  
 Add introduction boilerplate text to 62A.5.1.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 62A**      **SC 62A.5**      **P 574**      **L 54**      **# 967**  
 Frazier, Howard      SWI

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

Missing the PICS copyright release statement. This is important.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add the following footnote at the bottom of the page:

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**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
 See also comment #435.

**Cl 62B**      **SC 62B.3**      **P 579**      **L 4**      **# 302**  
 Edward Eckert      Ikanos Communication

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

The test cases for 10PASS-TS require updating to bring them in line with comments and contributions brought forward to this sub-task force over the last few meetings. A number of participants have worked together off line to compare simulations and have compiled a set of test cases with wide agreement. These will be presented to the STF in Vancouver from the uploaded file "Clause 62B Table 62B-1 Proposal.xls"

## SuggestedRemedy

Adopt the Table as specified in "Clause 62B Table 62B-1 Proposal.xls"

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
 To be discussed with #459.

**Cl 62B**      **SC 62B.3**      **P 579**      **L 4**      **# 459**  
 Barrass, Hugh      Cisco Systems

**Comment Type TR**      **Comment Status D**

The test cases and performance numbers are arbitrary and have no basis in simulation or testing. In particular, the numbers do not correlate with publicly available test results from committee T1E1.4 or simulation results presented to 802.3ah Task Force in November 2003:

[http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/802/3/efm/public/nov03/copper/EFM\\_Albuquerque\\_draft\\_1110c.pdf](http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/802/3/efm/public/nov03/copper/EFM_Albuquerque_draft_1110c.pdf)

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace values in Table 62B-1 with those in the referenced presentation.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

To be discussed with comment #302.

It was shown during discussion at the Albuquerque meeting that some of the simulation assumptions used in M\_Albuquerque\_draft\_1110c.pdf are in contradiction with mandatory parameters of 10PASS-TS.

A new proposal is available as an attachment to comment #302 with support from the commenter who submitted comments #416/D2.1 and #417/D2.1.

Replace Table 62B-1 with the table proposed in comment #302.

**Cl 62B**      **SC 62B.3**      **P 580**      **L 1-30**      **# 303**  
 Edward Eckert      Ikanos Communication

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status D**

In consideration of the confusion during the comparison of simulations in development of this table, the Notes to Table 62B.3 should be clarified such that it is clear to the reader that when noise A is specified, it does not include the 20 self disturbers.

## SuggestedRemedy

Editors license.

**Proposed Response**      **Response Status W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Replace footnotes a/b with the following:

"(a) 'AWGN' means that only white gaussian noise at -140dBm/Hz is present. 'Self' means that the equivalent crosstalk generated by 20 10PASS-TS transceivers operating in the same mode (assuming the same loop length and the same UPBO configuration) as the device under test is present in addition to white gaussian noise at -140dBm/Hz. 'T1.424 A' or 'T1.424 F' means that alien crosstalk according to T1.424/Trial-Use Noise Model A or F respectively is present in addition to white gaussian noise at -140dBm/Hz. 'ETSI A' or 'ETSI F' means that alien crosstalk according to ETSI TS 101 270-1 Noise Model A or F respectively is present in addition to white gaussian noise. Self crosstalk and alien crosstalk are not to be applied simultaneously."

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Cl 62B SC 62B.5 P 581 L 54 # 968  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type T Comment Status D

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## SuggestedRemedy

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Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 62B SC Table 62B-1 P 579 L 22-23, 37- # 949  
Palm, Stephen Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D late comment

The profile 100/35 Mbps cannot be achieved with band plan A. As max number bits per tone is 12, and the minimal RS setting is RS(240,224), the maximal downstream rate is  $224/240 \times 12 \times (3.75e3 - 25 + 8.5e3 - 5.2e3) = 78.68$  Mbps

## SuggestedRemedy

Delete the 100/35 Mbps profile from the table.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
See also comment #302.

Cl 63 SC 63 P 436 L 1 # 837  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Clause 63 has a number of misplace and/or missing register bits. Some of the clause 45 registers are generic, and apply to all of the places where used. Examples are reset, loopback, OUI or device identifiers, etc. For those persons who did not participate in the 10G development of Clause 45, this requirement is easily missed. For example, it is not obvious that the PMA layer requires a loopback capability, and there is no text in Clause 61, 62, or 63 to support loopback

## SuggestedRemedy

Include table to show which registers are required (Reset, loopback, OUI or MMD device identifier, etc.).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add sentence the end of 63.1.1:

"Register 3.4.1 and registers 3.44 through 3.59 specified in Clause 45 may be used to control the PCS of Clause 61. Registers 1.16 through 1.28 and 1.65 through 1.82 specified in Clause 45 may be used to control the 2BASE-TL PMA and PMD."

Cl 63 SC 63.1.1 P 436 L 7 # 463  
Barrass, Hugh Cisco Systems

Comment Type E Comment Status D

This implies that Clause 61 is incorporated into Clause 63 (by reference) - which, of course, it isn't!

Also, a 2BASE-TL PHY requires all parts of the Clause 61 PCS - not just the 64/65 octet part.

## SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Modify text in accordance with adopted remedy to comment #462.

Cl 63 SC 63.1.1 P 436 L 8 # 38  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status D

We use "shall" here - do we really mean "shall"?

## SuggestedRemedy

We should probably replace that with "is", or add a PICs entry.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

We really mean shall. It is not clear where a PICS entry for this requirement would belong. It doesn't affect the conformance to either Clause 61 or Clause 63.

Cl 63 SC 63.1.4.2 P 437 L 22 # 35  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status D

To be consistent with other lists, eliminate the period at the end of (b).

## SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 63 SC 63.1.4.2.1 P 437 L 25 # 39  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status D

It seems like we'd want the bit-order information covered by a PICS entry and using shall terminology so that it is part of conformance.

## SuggestedRemedy

Use shall to require bit order, and add PICS entry.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Replace "is sent first" with "shall be sent first" and generate PICS entry for this sentence.

Cl 63 SC 63.1.5 P 437 L 54 # 897  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

reference to 61.3 might be confusing

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a note that during preactivation phase everything besides DISCOVERY and PMI aggregation will be negotiated

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Subclause 61.3 is the normative specification of handshaking for 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS.

Cl 63 SC 63.2.1 P 438 L 48 # 40  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Another gratuitous use of "shall"?

## SuggestedRemedy

Re-word to not use shall, or add PICS entry.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

This shall is covered by the PICS entries for the PAF in Clause 61.

Cl 63 SC 63.2.2.1 P 439 L 52 # 42  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Replace "is" with "are" (talking about values plural).

## SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 63 SC 63.2.2.3 P 440 L 10 # 43  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Seems like we should we have a PICS entry covering the EOC/register mappings?

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS entry.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add PICS entry 2BPMA-10:

The parameters of the various 2BASE-TL registers defined in Clause 45 are gathered via the SHDSL management with the mappings shown in Table 63-3.  
Status MDIO:M

Cl 63 SC 63.2.2.3 P 440 L 24 # 900  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type T Comment Status D

LOSW failure: g.991.2 defines 2 stages for LOSW:1. Framing bit (see g.991.2 chapter 9.2.3 Loss of Sync Defect and 2. Loss of SYNC Failure (see g.991.2 chapter 9.2.7) not clear whether 2B state defect register (1.82, see 45.2.1.42) bit Loss of sync word should identify LOSW defect or LOSW failure

## SuggestedRemedy

Since register is called state defect register, LOSW defect seems to be appropriate - > remove first line from table since it is not needed anymore and add a corresponding description (as for segment defect) in the paragraph)

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

LOSW Failure seems to be the intended primitive.

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Cl 63 SC 63.2.2.3 P 440 L 24-26 # 899  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 octet 1 not correct for LOSW, loop attenuation and SNR margin  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 replace octet 1 with octet2  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 63 SC 63.2.2.3 P 440 L 45 # 901  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 octet 3 reports the customer side, but a -R device does not have a customer side  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 change octet3 to octet2  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
 (To be verified.)

Cl 63 SC 63.2.2.3 P 440 L 47 # 902  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 relation between -R and -O device not clear  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Loop attenuation and SNR margin threshold for both -o and -R device shall be set in clause 45 register of -o device, the -R thresholds will be passed to the peer 2BASE-TL -R using message ID 3  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 63 SC 63.2.2.3 P 440 L 54 # 36  
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Replace 2BASE-TL-C with 2BASE-TL-O. Table 63-6 as well.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 63 SC 63.2.2.3 P 440 L 8 # 898  
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 only the 2BASE-TL register of -R device will be gathered via SHDSL management  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 add 'of the -R device' behind 2BASE-TL register  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 63 SC 63.3.2.2 P 442 L 48 # 37  
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Replace section symbol with word "Section" to be consistent with rest of document.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 63 SC 63.3.2.4 P 444 L 16 # 142  
Kimpe, Marc Adtran

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Add wetting current ability to both annex A & B devices ie section 63.3.2.4 & 63.2.2.5.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add the following subsection in 63.3.2.4:  
63.3.2.4.1 Wetting current.

The DC resistance of the 2BASE-TL-R shall be 1000 ohms plus or minus 10%. The 2BASE-TL-R shall be capable of sustaining 20mA of wetting (sealing) current. The maximum rate of change of the wetting current shall be no more than 20 mA per second.

The 2BASE-TL-O may optionally supply power to support wetting current. When enabled, this power source should provide a nominal 48 V (measured from ring to tip). The maximum voltage of the power source (if provided) should be limited to 56.5 V. In no case shall the wetting current source apply a voltage greater than 72 V (measured from ring to tip). The potential from tip to ground should be zero or negative. The 2BASE-TL-O DC impedance from tip to GND and ring to GND shall each be 2870 ohms plus or minus 10%. The two resistors must match properly to satisfy the longitudinal balance requirements.

Add a subsection "wetting current" in sec. 63.3.2.5 which references the previous text.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

As per suggested remedy, with the following change:

Replace "The 2BASE-TL-O may optionally supply power to support wetting current." with "The 2BASE-TL-O shall be capable of supplying power to support wetting current."

Add corresponding PICS entries.

CI 63 SC 63.3.2.5 P 444 L 25 # 903  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D

the value in section B.5.2 of g.991.2 is already 12 dB

## SuggestedRemedy

remove reference to chapter B.5.2 and just mention 12 db

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The value is 14dB in the referenced document.

CI 63 SC 63.4.4.1 P 446 L 21 # 75  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Wrong font for the "Feature" field of entry 2BPMA-1.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change style to "CellBody".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 63 SC 63.4.4.1 P 446 L 42 # 41  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Replace "is" with "are" (talking about 2 things)

## SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 63A SC 63A.5 P 592 L 1 # 434  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The PICS proforma needs a copyright release statement. In addition the introduction boilerplate text is missing.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a copyright release statement for the PICS as a footnote.  
Add introduction boilerplate text to 63A.5.1.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl **63A** SC **63A.5** P **592** L **54** # **969**  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**

Missing the PICS copyright release statement. This is important.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add the following footnote at the bottom of the page:

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Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
See also comment #434.

Cl **63B** SC **63B.3** P **596** L **33** # **44**  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

We don't have any performance test for profile 1/6. Shouldn't we have some minimum performance guideline for those profiles as well?

## SuggestedRemedy

Add test cases.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.  
Need specific remedy.

Cl **63B** SC **63B.3** P **596** L **33** # **905**  
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**

Table A-1 specifies 6 test for Profile 2, not clear whether all test SHALL be passed or a specific one??

## SuggestedRemedy

modify 'corresponding test' to 'corresponding tests'

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl **63B** SC **63B.4** P L # **45**  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

I believe that we decided support of 32-PAM is optional and 16-PAM required. If thats still true, it doesn't come out in any statements or PICS entries.

## SuggestedRemedy

I'm not sure whether this should be clarified in 63 or in 63B, but in 63B we say support of all profiles is a manatory PICS statement. So we should at least correct it there.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Support for 32-PAM was made mandatory in resolution of comment #657/D1.3, and has been treated as a mandatory feature in the text since D1.414. It is listed in subclause 63.3.1 "General exceptions".

As the list of general exceptions is written in the form of statements most of which don't contain the verb "shall", most of these exceptions do not show up in the PICS for Clause 63. The PICS entries for Annex 63A and Annex 63B were added later (in resolution of comments #322/D2.0 and #324/D2.0 respectively), and are correct. Rewrite items (e) and (f) of 63.3.1 as shall-statements, and add the corresponding PICS entries.

Cl **63B** SC **63B.5** P **598** L **14** # **433**  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**

The PICS proforma needs a copyright release statement. In addition the introduction boilerplate text is missing.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a copyright release statement for the PICS as a footnote.  
Add introduction boilerplate text to 63B.5.1.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl **63B** SC **63B.5** P **598** L **14** # **970**  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**

PICS are supposed to start on a new page to make them easy to reproduce.

## SuggestedRemedy

Start the PICS subclause on a new page.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl **63B** SC **63B.5** P **599** L **54** # **971**  
 Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**

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## SuggestedRemedy

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Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
 See also comment #433.

Cl **64** SC P L # **481**  
 Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**

Various typos are gathered in this comment:

page 457, line 38: "opcode specific" should have hyphen in it.  
 page 468, line 14: Missing comma after "Thus"  
 page 468, line 43: Missing commas around "however"  
 page 470, line 42: Missing comma after "overlaps"

## SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl **64** SC **64** P **449** L **1** # **420**  
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

I am concerned that the Clause 4 MAC is still used since, from my reading of the draft, the actual number of functions needed in Clause 4 to support PtMP is small. I am making this comment against this draft as Draft D3.0 has moved back to utilizing the 1Gb/s full-duplex MAC and also includes an IPG timer function in Clause 64, the Multi-Point MAC Control sublayer (see Figures 64-11 and 64-12, state START PACKET INITIATE TIMER), further reducing the number of functions actually provided by the Clause 4 MAC itself. [Important - please don't read this as a request to return to the use of the 1Gb/s half-duplex MAC as appeared in draft D2.1].

Now please don't misunderstand me here, I am not saying anything is technically incorrect here. I just believe that to make the reader have to go through the entire Clause 4 MAC, and expect them to figure out that not only the half-duplex functions are not need, but also the some other functions, such as IPG enforcement, are redundant I believe increases the risk of misreading or misunderstanding, which I fear one day could ultimately result in interoperability issues.

## SuggestedRemedy

Implement the 'Thin MAC for P2MP' proposal to be presented by Ben Brown.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

As commenter agrees, nothing is technically incorrect in current draft. Main argument was that MAC control duplicates IPG enforcement function. This is not correct.

To guarantee timestamping accuracy, delay through MAC and PHY should be constant. But MAC can accept a new frame while it still enforces IPG from the previous frame. The new frame can arrive anytime during the previous IPG and will be delayed till the end of the IPG period. Thus, the MAC will introduce delay variability of 96 ns (or 192 ns round-trip). This exceeds the specified limit on delay variability and will break MPCP. When FEC is enabled, the delay variability becomes much higher - up to 1.98 us.

Thus, MAC Control should delay frames until it "knows" that the underlying channel is free and MAC can start transmission right away. In many cases, this additional delay is considerably larger than IPG, in order to accommodate FEC parity data. As a useful side effect, this mechanism creates inter-frame gap between packets transmitted by different MACs in the OLT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.1 P 450 L 25 # 167  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Cross Reference to Clause 67 doesn't take you anyplace.

SuggestedRemedy  
Fix cross-reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1 P 450 L 6 # 663  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
pluralize

SuggestedRemedy  
replace "signals' path from" with "signals' paths from"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1 P 451 L 12 # 665  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
a/an

SuggestedRemedy  
replace "ONU to a OLT" with "ONU to an OLT"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1 P 451 L 16 # 487  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
Draft says: "The Multi-point MAC Control functionality shall be implemented for subscriber access devices containing point-to-multipoint physical layer devices defined in Clause 60, this is optional for all other IEEE 802.3 devices."

Is it really optional? What if MP MAC Control is implemented only at one end of a link?  
Without MPCPDUs, no data traffic will flow through.

SuggestedRemedy  
Remove the statement that MP MAC Control is optional for other 802.3 devices.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1 P 451 L 3 # 168  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No cross-reference for Clause 31.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add cross-reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1 P 451 L 8 # 664  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
missing word

SuggestedRemedy  
replace "MPCP located" with "The MPCP located"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.1.2 P451 L 39 # 169  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Cross-References to figure 64-2 not active.

## SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference in multiple places (pg. 451 line 39, pg. 452 line 31 and 41).

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1.2 P452 L 38 # 170  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Cross reference to 65.1.3.4 not active.

## SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1.2 P452 L 40 # 93  
Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell n.v.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

If I understand the specification correctly, an EPON is described as a set of N logical point-to-point links, one end of each relying on the common OLT PHY but still connecting to an individual MAC, as shown in Figure 64-2. Although practical implementations of EPON OLTs will probably be integrated with a MAC Relay function (as described in IEEE Std 802.1D or 802.1Q), the specification also allows a situation in which distinct MAC Clients are connected to the MAC Service interface of each of the OLT MACs. These MAC Clients may want to use the EPON solely for point-to-point communications with the MAC Client attached to the associated ONU.

It is (at least theoretically) possible that frames originating from different MAC Clients at the OLT side end up on the same bridged LAN. If that case is considered, it is actually a bad idea to associate the same MAC address with each of the MACs at the OLT side.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the statement "it is strongly recommended that a single unicast MAC address be used by the OLT", or explain better why MAC address uniqueness is not expected to be an issue in practical OLT implementations.

In 64.4.1, the statement "The SA in MPCPDU is the individual MAC address associated with the port through which the MPCPDU is transmitted." should be further clarified. Add something like "For MPCPDUs originating at the OLT side, this can be the address any of the individual MACs associated with an ONU or the address of the SCB MAC. NOTE--- These MACs may all share a single unicast address, as explained in 64.1.2.".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See #482

Cl 64 SC 64.1.2 P452 L 41 # 482  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The decision whether to use same or different MAC addresses for each MAC in the OLT is an implementation decision and is completely out of scope of 802.3 standard

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the text prescribing single MAC address.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See #93

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Cl 64 SC 64.1.3 P 453 L 3 # 171  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Cross reference to Figure 64-3 not active.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Activate cross reference.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1.4 P 454 L 6 # 666  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Several editing problems  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Changes for the 2 sentences are in quotes - in addition the word vector is removed from the first sentence:  
 The vector notations used in the state diagrams for bit"s" use 0 to mark the first received bit and "so" on (for example data[0:15]), follow"ing" the conventions of 3.1 for bit ordering. When referring to an octet vector," 0 is used to mark the first received octet and "so"on (for example m\_sdu[0..1]).  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2 P 454 L 13 # 172  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Cross reference for figure 64-3 not active in two places, line 13 and 31.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Activate cross reference.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2 P 454 L 19 # 667  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 wrong sublayers  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 "(MAC, MAC Control)" are not mac clients - remove this part of the text  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the text to ". . .each MAC and respective MAC and MAC Control clients . . ."

Cl 64 SC 64.2.1 P 454 L 35 # 173  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Cross reference for clause 65 not activated.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Activate cross reference.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.1 P 454 L 49 # 668  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 pluralize  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 replace "request" with "requests"  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.1 P 454 L 54 # 669  
 Brown, Benjamin Independent  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 missing words  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 2 instances in the last line: replace "referred as the" with "referred to as the"  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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<b>Cl 64</b>	<b>SC 64.2.1</b>	<b>P 455</b>	<b>L 11</b>	<b># 671</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
Repeats				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
These last 2 sentences are repeats from 3 paragraphs previous (the next to last sentence) and from the previous paragraph (the last sentence). Delete them both.				
<b>Proposed Response</b>	<b>Response Status</b>		<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

<b>Cl 64</b>	<b>SC 64.2.1</b>	<b>P 455</b>	<b>L 8</b>	<b># 670</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
"discarded or modified"				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
How are MA_DATA.request service primitives discarded or modified? There is no mention of this in the clause (that I noticed anyway).				
Remove ", discarded or modified"				
<b>Proposed Response</b>	<b>Response Status</b>		<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

<b>Cl 64</b>	<b>SC 64.2.2</b>	<b>P 455</b>	<b>L 35</b>	<b># 672</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
Combine subclauses				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
Replace "Multiplexing Control" with "Multiplexing control, control multiplexor, control parser				
Combine the text from 64.2.3 as additional paragraphs in 64.2.2				
Combine all constants, variables, functions, timers and messages in 64.2.2.x with those in 64.2.3.x				
These state diagrams are sufficiently related and share variables so they should be combined into a single subclause				
<b>Proposed Response</b>	<b>Response Status</b>		<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

<b>Cl 64</b>	<b>SC 64.2.2</b>	<b>P 455</b>	<b>L 37</b>	<b># 673</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
missing word				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
replace "out of Multi-point" with "out of the Multi-point"				
<b>Proposed Response</b>	<b>Response Status</b>		<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

<b>Cl 64</b>	<b>SC 64.2.2.2</b>	<b>P 456</b>	<b>L 8</b>	<b># 674</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
Variables and default values				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
Every variable in this entire clause has a default value. From 36.2.5: 'State diagram variables follow the conventions of 21.5.2 except when the variable has a default value. Variables in a state diagram with default values evaluate to the variable default in each state where the variable value is not explicitly set.'				
From reviewing this entire clause, I cannot find a single instance of a variable that needs a default value. Every variable is assigned a value when necessary and expected to retain that value until is is assigned a new one. Every default value should be removed from every variable in this entire clause.				
<b>Proposed Response</b>	<b>Response Status</b>		<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

<b>Cl 64</b>	<b>SC 64.2.3</b>	<b>P 457</b>	<b>L 41</b>	<b># 675</b>
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
<b>Comment Type</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Comment Status</b>	<b>D</b>	
missing words				
<b>SuggestedRemedy</b>				
In 2 instances on this line: replace ".request from" with ".request primitives from"				
<b>Proposed Response</b>	<b>Response Status</b>		<b>W</b>	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				

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Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.1 P 459 L 32 # 208  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Most variable and constant names do not have spaces in them.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change MAC Control to MAC\_Control. Also need to make changes in state diagrams.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.1 P 459 L 37 # 200  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
The definition of tail\_guard doesn't include the SFD and length/type. In order to get 29 octets, you need DA (6), SA (6), Preamble (7), SFD (1), length/type (2), FCS (4), EPD (3).

SuggestedRemedy  
Fix sentence to read: preamble, SFD, DA, SA, Length/Type, FCS, and the EPD.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.1 P 459 L 39 # 677  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
m\_sdu?

SuggestedRemedy  
Spell out first usage of m\_sdu

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

M\_sdu is defined in "2.3.1.2 Semantics of the service primitive". Do we need to spell it out again here?

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.1 P 459 L 45 # 678  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
value: 29

SuggestedRemedy  
Where does 29 come from?  
preamble=8 (actually 7 but I'll assume you're including the SFD)  
DA=6  
SA=6  
FCS=4  
EPD=2/3  
Total=26/27

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Length/Type field is missing. See #200

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.1 P 459 L 46 # 404  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Grammar: one time\_quantum, more than one time\_quanta.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change this one and on line 52 to time\_quantum.  
p460 line 2, change 'quantas' to 'quanta'; line 20, quanta to quantum, line 22 second occurrence to quantum. p461 line 30 and p462 line 7 to quanta. And so on.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.1 P 460 L 1 # 687  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Variables out of order

SuggestedRemedy  
Move defaultOverhead to its proper alphabetical place in the list

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.2 P 460 L 16 # 679  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
localTime

## SuggestedRemedy

This variable seems more like a counter or maybe a function. I'm not too convinced of this so I won't push very hard...

On line 21, change "Variable used to" to be "Variables used to"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.2 P 460 L 22 # 201  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The localTime variable seems to say that the time\_quanta constant has units of nanoseconds. The definition of time\_quanta says it has units of bits. This should be reworded so it's clear that time\_quanta refers to units of bits and not bit times or nanoseconds. Or, reword the definition of time\_quanta.

## SuggestedRemedy

This should be reworded so it's clear that time\_quanta refers to units of bits and not bit times or nanoseconds.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

I am not sure what the proper definition is. It seems that if we are talking about time - it should be tied to nanoseconds, not bits. Discuss.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.2 P 460 L 28 # 202  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The newRTT variable has no units associated with it.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add text that says it is in units of time\_quanta (16 bit times).

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Subject to resolution of #201

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.2 P 460 L 33 # 203  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
RTT has not units associated with it.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add text that says it is in units of time\_quanta (16 bit times).

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Subject to resolution of #201

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.2 P 460 L 38 # 204  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
timestampDrift has no units associated with it.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add text that says it is in units of time\_quanta (16 bit times).

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Subject to resolution of #201

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.2 P 460 L 43 # 680  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
change wording

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "resulting due to" with "as a result of"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.2 P 460 L 49 # 681  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
change wording

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "forwarding in the transmit path" with "transmission at the ONU"  
This removes the use of the term "forward", which has a particular connotation with bridge experts.

Also, on line 51: replace "transmitAllowed is not used at the OLT, but changes" with "transmitAllowed changes" then at the end of this sentence, delete "for the ONU"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.2 P 461 L 14 # 683  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
change wording

## SuggestedRemedy

delete "forward a frame. Setting it to true indicates that the instance is ready to"  
Again, this removes the term "forward"

Also, delete the last sentence of this variable since it is both clumsy and unnecessary.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.2 P 461 L 2 # 682  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
add wording

## SuggestedRemedy

At the end of the first sentence, add the words "at the OLT"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.2 P 461 L 30 # 205  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
The nextTxTime variable does not have a size or default value associated with it.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add size (type) and default value.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Replace 'integer' with '16 bit unsigned'  
Don't use default value (see #674)

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.3 P 461 L 43 # 839  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
The definition of function timestamp uses two variables: m\_sdu and time. Neither one is provided a definition in clause 64.2.3.

## SuggestedRemedy

Provide a definition for all of the variables used in this subclause.  
Provide a definition for all of the variables used in Clause 64.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

'm\_sdu' and 'time' are function arguments (or placeholders). Definitions should only be provided to the variables used in the state diagrams.

M\_sdu is also used as a variable in the state diagram, but it is defined in '2.3.1.2 Semantics of the service primitive'. Do we need to repeat the definition here?

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.3 P 461 L 47 # 684  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
pluralize

## SuggestedRemedy

replace "return the active" with "returns the active"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.3 P 462 L 1 # 838  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The EPON group might want to take a closer look at the definition of FEC\_Overhead(length) and associated text of "frame" and "length". The PCS does not seem to be stripping the preamble and SFD, and the count does want to include the FCS and client data greater than 0x600. (Note to EPON: the vast majority of Ethernet is type encoded, and length value is length field is thus null).

## SuggestedRemedy

Provide a very specific definition of frame, packet, length; be sure to include all of the pieces which FEC\_Overhead is to include.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

1. Add a sentence to 65.2.3.2:

FEC encoder calculates parity data over the entire frame including preamble/SFD and FCS.

2. In definition of FEC\_Overhead() function, explain that the length is the entire frame being FEC encoded and provide cross-ref to 65.2.3.2.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.3 P 462 L 10 # 496  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

FEC\_overhead() formula is incorrect. When FEC is enabled, overhead increases from /T/R/I/I/I/I/I/ (a total of 12 octets) to /T/R/I/T/R/parity/T/R/I/I/I/I/KD/KD/ (a total of parity + 26 octets)

## SuggestedRemedy

Change formula to:  
FEC\_Overhead = 13 + CEILING(length/239)\*8

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.3 P 462 L 10 # 685  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

FEC\_Overhead equation

## SuggestedRemedy

What happens if [length/239] is not an integer? There needs to be some additional function (roundup?) used to ensure fractions aren't used.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See \$403

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.3 P 462 L 3 # 403  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

This function is not clear. I can't see where the variable 'length' comes from. I don't think it is 'Length/Type' because the FEC protects more than just the payload. The obscure bracket notation is so arcane, we don't know what it is called and many readers will take it for a typographical problem.

## SuggestedRemedy

Explain where 'length' comes from. What units is it measured in? Can it take half-integral values? If the equation involves rounding up to the next integer, just say it in words. In line 3, put 'length' in italics.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add text explaining the meaning of 'length' parameter. See# 838 for exact solution.

Few options exist for formula notation:

A) keep angle brackets as it is a well known notation for ceiling function (<http://mathworld.wolfram.com/CeilingFunction.html>).

Add additional text explaining that ceiling function rounds value up to the nearest integer.

B) instead of brackets, use CEILING(length/239). Add additional text explaining that ceiling function rounds value up to the nearest integer.

C) don't use ceiling function. The formula becomes (length+238)/239 where '/' is integer division - only integer part is taken. Add corresponding explanation.

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Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.3 P462 L 5 # 207  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

SOF and EOF do not exist in the abbreviations section of Clause 1.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace with ...accommodate longer start and end of frame sequences..., or add to clause 1.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.4 P462 L 17 # 488  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Definition of packet\_initiate\_timer is missing

## SuggestedRemedy

Add missing definition

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See #209

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.4 P462 L 17 # 422  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status D

This subclause states that 'No timers are defined for the Control Parser or Control Multiplexer functional blocks' yet Figure 64-11 'OLT Control Multiplexer state diagram' shows a timer 'packet\_initiate\_timer'.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a definition of the 'packet\_initiate\_timer' to subclause 64.2.3.4.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See #209

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.5 P462 L 21 # 206  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The MA\_DATA.indication primitive defined here has different fields than the one defined and used in Clause 31 and Clause 2 (this one doesn't use ReceiveStatus). I recommend providing a definition in Clause 64 of the fields of this primitive or putting in a cross reference to Clause 31 and adding the extra field.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add ReceiveStatus to message description and put cross reference to 31.5.1.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Modify state diagram to match Figure 31-4.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.6 P464 L 14 # 489  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type E Comment Status D

In Figure 64-11, "Not equal" sign should be "not belong to". Same in Figure 64-12.

## SuggestedRemedy

Fix the transition labels.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.6 P465 L 1 # 788  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

State diagrams 64-11, 64-12, 64-17, 64-18, 64-19, 64-20, 64-22, 64-23, 64-25, 64-26, 64-27 do not follow 802.3 conventions.

## SuggestedRemedy

Lines should not cross. Maximum font size should be 10pt. Transition equations should not break the transition line. Transition equations must be the same to use the same transition line.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.6 P 465 L 13 # 210  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

When in the WAIT FOR TRANSMIT state of Figure 64-11, you set opcode to the first 16 bits of data. It's possible that you will be looking at a MAC Client frame here that does not contain an opcode but the first 16 data bits happen to look like an opcode. When this happens, you will want to send the data frame unchanged instead of sending a timestamp frame. Change the figure to be more like Figure 64-12. Parse the frame on the length/type field and then extract the opcode if it is a MAC Control.

## SuggestedRemedy

In WAIT FOR TRANSMIT, remove opcode <= data[0:15]. In the TRANSMIT READY state, remove both exit conditions and replace them with Length/Type = MAC Control and Length/Type not = MAC Control. The latter condition goes directly into the SEND DATA FRAME state. The former exit condition goes into a new state called PARSE OPCODE, which is a duplicate of the same state in Figure 64-12. If the opcode is a timestamp opcode it goes to the SEND TIMESTAMP FRAME state, and if it isn't it goes to the SEND DATA FRAME state.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.6 P 465 L 21 # 211  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

In figure 64-11, the OLT is allowed to send frames that contain unsupported opcodes. Figure 64-12 does not allow the ONU to send frames with unsupported opcodes. Is this intentional?

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a condition to Figure 64-11, similar to 64-12, that does not allow the OLT to transmit a frame with an unsupported opcode.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.6 P 465 L 24 # 212  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

In Figure 64-11, the SEND TIMESTAMP FRAME state assigns the localTime value using the timestamp function defined in 64.2.3.3. This is the only place this function is used, and it operates with bytes. In Figure 64-12, the timestamp is assigned directly without using this function and is done with bits. With the OLT and ONU diagrams doing the same thing, it is confusing that one uses a byte function and one directly assigns with bits.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the timestamp function from the diagram and text. Replace in this state with data[16:47] <= localTime. Or, have figure 64-12 reference the timestamp function.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Also #483

Cl 64 SC 64.2.3.6 P 465 L 25 # 483  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Inconsistent timestamping methods in OLT and in ONU.  
In OLT (Figure 64-11): timestamp(M-sdu, localTime)  
In ONU (Figure 64-12): data[16:47] = localTime

## SuggestedRemedy

Use the same process in both state diagrams.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Also #212

Cl 64 SC 64.3 P 467 L 3 # 688  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
extra word

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace "comprises of" with "comprises"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.3 P467 L3 # 174  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Cross reference for Figure 64-3 not active on line 3 and 14.

## SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.10 P482 L7 # 713  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

laser turn on, turn off and overlapping grants

## SuggestedRemedy

Is it still appropriate to talk about this stuff here or is this old text that should be removed given the addition of the fifo in Clause 65?

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Perhaps, it would be better to say: "An ONU shall not have its laser turned on outside its transmission window" (add corresponding PICS).

We need some text to explain that "start time" in the grant is the time when laser turns on, not the time data transmission.

Discuss.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.10 P482 L9 # 264  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

No PICS item exists for this shall.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See #713

Cl 64 SC 64.3.10.1 P482 L46 # 405  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

'output is undetectable.' BAD idea, hostage to better test equipment!

## SuggestedRemedy

Use whatever the proper criterion is; should be in clause 60 or mentioned there.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Remove 'from the stable transmission state to the point where transmission output is undetectable.'

Add ", as specified in sub-clause 60.8.13.1"

Same for laser\_on\_time

Cl 64 SC 64.3.10.2 P483 L31 # 714  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

interator

## SuggestedRemedy

Is this an appropriate word? I tried looking it up but couldn't find a definition.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Change to 'iterator'

Cl 64 SC 64.3.10.2 P484 L29 # 406  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

I couldn't see how I am supposed to know what 'syncTime' is. I think it's Tsync plus some other stuff.

## SuggestedRemedy

Please explain.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Add text explaining that syncTime includes Laser\_on\_time (Ton), gain adjustment interval (Treceiver\_settling), clock synchronization interval (Tcdr), and code-group alignment interval (Tcode\_group\_align), as specified in sub-clause 60.8.13.1

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.10.2 P484 L 29 # 715  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
syncTime

## SuggestedRemedy

Isn't this delay, of transmitting IDLE for the syncTime duration of the PHY to make sure the link is stable before packets, handled by the fifo in the PCS? This is no longer applicable to this clause, is it?

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

ONU still should subtract syncTime from grant length to get the effective length (see diagrams 64-26 and 64-27).

Alternative solution would be for the OLT to grant only the effective length while accounting for the known Laser on/off and syncTime. Then syncTime can be removed from granting process.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.10.3 P484 L 46 # 265  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add PICS. Discuss whether grant queue should be 'tail drop' or 'head drop'

Cl 64 SC 64.3.10.6 P486 L 25 # 716  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
change wording

## SuggestedRemedy

replace "MACs" with "MPMC instances"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.10.6 P487 L 20 # 486  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
A state or procedure to parse GATE message in ONU is missing (Figure 64-26). As a result, sync\_time is used without ever being initialized.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add GATE parsing procedure

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.10.6 P488 L 14 # 495  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
In state diagram 64-27, the calculation of maxDelay does not take into account FEC parity overhead. It is possible that a portion of REGISTER\_REQ message will be transmitted outside discovery window.

Also, TQ\_size is used incorrectly. It should be a divisor, not a multiplier.

## SuggestedRemedy

In RANDOM WAIT state use the following formula

maxDelay = currentGrant.Length - laserOnTime - laserOffTime - syncTime - ( sizeof(MPCPDU) + tail\_guard + 1 ) / TQ\_size

if( FEC\_Enabled )  
maxDelay = maxDelay - FEC\_Overhead( sizeof(MPCPDU) )

[start tndDlyTmr, random( maxDelay)]

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.10.6 P488 L 46 # 497  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
MAC Control does not explicitly control laser anymore.

## SuggestedRemedy

Diagram 64-27 should be cleaned up and simplified by eliminating state LASER OFF. The statement "transmitAllwed = false" should be moved to WAIT FOR GRANT state.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.2 P 467 L 50 # 421  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
'... specified in Clause 4.3.2.' should read '... specified in subclause 4.3.2.'

## SuggestedRemedy

See comment. In addition do a search and replace throughout this clause for instances where Clause should actually read 'subclause'.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.2 P 467 L 53 # 490  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
"An additional interface is exported towards the MAC and Physical layer in order to enable and disable the lasing at the PMD."  
This additional interface was removed in D2.1.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove the above paragraph.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
Same as #689

Cl 64 SC 64.3.2 P 467 L 53 # 689  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Is this still true?

## SuggestedRemedy

I don't think the laser control signal exists any more in this sublayer. Delete this sentence.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
Same as \$490

Cl 64 SC 64.3.2.6 P 465 L 31 # 209  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
The packet\_initiate\_timer is not defined anyplace.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add definition to 64.2.3.4:  
packet\_initiate\_timer - Timer used to enforce the minimum interframe spacing between multiple MACs at the OLT. When FEC is enabled on the OLT or ONU this timer enforces the minimum interframe spacing required for the extra overhead needed by the PHY.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Packet\_initiate\_timer is required by MPCP to guarantee timestamping accuracy.

Even within the same MAC the problem exists since MAC can accept a new frame while it still enforces IPG from the previous frame. The new frame can arrive anytime during the previous IPG. Thus, MAC will introduce delay variability of 96 ns (or 192 ns round-trip). This exceeds the stated limit on delay variability and will brake MPCP. When FEC is enabled, the delay variability becomes much higher - up to 1.98 us.

Suggest adding the following definition:

packet\_initiate\_timer - Timer used to delay frame transmission from MAC Control to prevent imposing a variable delay on the current frame while MAC enforces IPG after a previous frame. In addition, when FEC is enabled, this timer increases interframe spacing just enough to accommodate the extra parity data to be added by the FEC encoder.

Same as #422 and #488

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.1 P 468 L 3 # 213  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

When using shared LAN Emulation on an EPON, you may have a problem if you try to implement the PAUSE operation. Although an ONU could PAUSE the particular MAC associated with it at the OLT, you still have the problem of the single copy broadcast MAC or potentially a multicast MAC. If any data frame can be sent from the OLT to an ONU that has issued a PAUSE frame, then the PAUSE operation has been compromised. A warning or recommendation should be made to this effect.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a sentence: The support of multicast and single copy broadcast MACs at the OLT may allow for data frames to be received by an ONU while its associated MAC in the OLT is being paused, thus compromising the PAUSE operation.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add an informative note:

NOTE: MAC at an ONU can receive frames from unicast channel and single-copy-broadcast (SCB) channel. If the SCB channel is used to broadcast data frames to multiple ONUs, the ONU's MAC may continue receiving data frames from SCB channel even after it has issued a PAUSE request to its unicast remote-end.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.4 P 468 L 43 # 690  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

spelling

## SuggestedRemedy

replace "dependant" with "dependent"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.4 P 468 L 46 # 691  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

wrong word

## SuggestedRemedy

replace "nearer" with "less"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.4 P 468 L 48 # 260  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

No PICS item for "The OLT shall not issue more than one message every 1024 time\_quantas to a single ONU."

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS item

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.4 P 468 L 48 # 692  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

change wording

## SuggestedRemedy

replace "time\_quanta are defined as" with "The units of time\_quanta are defined as"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.4 P 468 L 49 # 214  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

time\_quanta are not defined in Clause 1.4. It is defined as a constant in 64.2.3.1, but there it is defined with units of bits and not bit times.

## SuggestedRemedy

Reconcile usage of time\_quanta throughout clause and if necessary add definition to 1.4. Otherwise, remove reference to 1.4.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.4 P468 L 53 # 693  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
change wording

## SuggestedRemedy

replace the first 2 paragraphs with: "Both the OLT and the ONU have 32-bit counters that increment every 16 bit times. These provide a local time stamp. When either device transmits an MPCPDU, it maps its counter value into the timestamp field. When the ONU receives MPCPDUs, it sets its counter according to the value in the timestamp field. When the OLT receives MPCPDUs, it uses the received value to calculate or verify a round trip time between the OLT and the ONU."

Further, add this text to the end of the sentence in the third paragraph: "from the MAC Control to the MAC"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.4 P469 L 1 # 694  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
wrong word

## SuggestedRemedy

replace "has a timer which" with "has a timer that"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.4 P469 L 6 # 261  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item for this shall.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

"time of transmission" should be specified more precisely. There can be as much as 12 us time lag between a byte crossing GMII and leaving FEC encoder.

Perhaps we should specify that timestamp corresponds to the time of the first byte crossing GMII.

How can it be tested?

Cl 64 SC 64.3.6 P470 L 19 # 695  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Are there assumptions for this comparison?

## SuggestedRemedy

Subtract A from B and testing the MSB. When MSB=1, a<b=TRUE. When MSB=0, a<b=FALSE.

Take the following as an example. A=0, B=3. A is less than B. However, A-B=1. The MSB of 1 = 0 therefore a<b=FALSE. Something is broken. Is there an assumption that A and B are never too far apart? What is wrong?

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The assumption for this comparison is that A and B can be no more than half-cycle apart (~34 seconds).

In the above example - A = 0000 (0), B=0011(3)  
A-B = 1101. MSB(1101) = 1 => A < B.

Discussion is needed to determine if half-cycle is a too wide margin. Perhaps, limiting time horizon to 1 second would make system more robust.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.8 P470 L 38 # 696  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
missing comma

## SuggestedRemedy

replace "gate message which" with "gate message, which"

Also, on line 51: replace "discovered ONU which" with "discovered ONU, which"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.5 P473 L 35 # 175  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Need cross reference to table 31A-1.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.5 P 473 L 36 # 698  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
#

*SuggestedRemedy*

Remove the # symbols on each side of the reference to Table 31A-1

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.5 P 473 L 44 # 699  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
missing parameters

*SuggestedRemedy*

The description of this message doesn't include a definition for all of the parameters. It is missing DA and register\_req.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.5 P 474 L 23 # 702  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
wrong word

*SuggestedRemedy*

replace "that the result" with "of the result"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.5 P 474 L 3 # 700  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
wrong word

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace "indication" with primitive.

The same thing applies to:  
page 474, line 21  
page 474, line 32  
page 480, line 21  
page 486, line 2

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.5 P 474 L 42 # 703  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
wrong word

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace "primitive" with "function"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.5 P 474 L 5 # 701  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
unpluralize

*SuggestedRemedy*

replace "The flags parameters" with "The flags parameter"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.6 P 474 L 53 # 176  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Need to activate cross references for Figure 64-19 and Figure 64-20.

SuggestedRemedy  
Activate cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.6 P 474 L 53 # 704  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
don't use MAC

SuggestedRemedy  
Replace "MAC attached to" with "MPMC instance associated with"

Also, on line 54: replace "MAC, except the MAC attached to" with "MPMC instance, except that instance associated with"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Use 'Multi-point MAC Control' instead of 'MPMC'

Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.6 P 475 L 16 # 484  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
The following notation is very confusing  
TransmitFrame(DA, SA, MAC Control, opcode = GATE|startTime|grantLength|discoveryFlag = true)

SuggestedRemedy  
1. Create variable "data" on a separate line.  
2. Call TransmitFrame function with the same set of parameters as is used in its definition.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.8.6 P 477 L 9 # 498  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Refer to figure 64-14 and state diagram 64-19. The OLT sends REGISTER message on broadcasting channel (SCB instance of MPCP). But it sends GATE message on unicast channel (newly created instance of MPCP for the newly discovered ONU). It is incorrect to combine these two events in the same state diagram, since the state diagram only describes one instance of MPCP.

SuggestedRemedy  
Perhaps the easiest solution is to say that each MPCP instance may transmit on both unicast and broadcast channels. Then, the handshaking protocol will look like:

1. Discovery GATE transmitted on broadcast channel from SCB MAC Control instance
2. REGISTER\_REQs received from broadcast channel by SCB MAC Control instance in the OLT
3. REGISTER transmitted on broadcast channel from unicast MAC Control instance in OLT
4. GATE transmitted on unicast channel from unicast MAC Control instance in OLT
5. REGISTER\_ACK received on unicast channel by unicast MAC Control instance in OLT

Discussion needed to decide how one MAC Control instance may be instructed to send frames with either unicast or broadcast LLID.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.9.5 P 480 L 13 # 710  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
change wording

SuggestedRemedy  
Replace "has two parameters" with "consists of two fields". For the rest of this paragraph, replace all instances (2) of "parameter" with "field" and all instances (4) of "field" with "element"

The same thing applies to the next paragraph, starting on line 25.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.9.6 P481 L3 # 711  
Brown, Benjamin Independent  
Comment Type E Comment Status D  
change wording  
SuggestedRemedy  
replace "MACs attached to" with "MPMC instances associate with a"  
Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.9.6 P481 L39 # 485  
Glen Kramer Teknovus  
Comment Type E Comment Status D  
In Figure 64-23 state transition label and code in SEND REPORT state are shown in wrong font.  
Also see RECEIVE REPORT state in 64-22  
SuggestedRemedy  
Fix the font  
Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.1 P490 L32 # 266  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL  
Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.  
SuggestedRemedy  
Add PICS item or remove shall.  
Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.2 P491 L29 # 267  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL  
Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.  
SuggestedRemedy  
Add PICS item or remove shall.  
Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.2 P491 L37 # 268  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL  
Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.  
SuggestedRemedy  
Add PICS item or remove shall.  
Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.2 P491 L41 # 269  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL  
Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.  
SuggestedRemedy  
Add PICS item or remove shall.  
Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.2 P492 L49 # 270  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL  
Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.  
SuggestedRemedy  
Add PICS item or remove shall.  
Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.2 P492 L51 # 271  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL  
Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.  
SuggestedRemedy  
Add PICS item or remove shall.  
Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.4.3 P 493 L 41 # 499  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

"Queue #n Report. This is an unsigned 16 bit value signifying the data transmission request corresponding to queue #n."

To achieve interoperability, ONU's behavior should be specified precisely. While the OLT is free to make different allocation/scheduling decisions, it always should know exact meaning of the reported data. The above description is not nearly enough.

## SuggestedRemedy

Use the following definition for this field:

Queue #n Report. This value represents the length of queue# n at time of REPORT message generation. The reported length shall be adjusted to account for the necessary inter-frame spacing and FEC parity data overhead, if FEC is enabled. The Queue #n Report field is an unsigned 16 bit integer representing transmission request in units of time quantas. This field is present only when the corresponding flag in the Report bitmap is set.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.3 P 493 L 5 # 272  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

This shall appears to be a duplicate of the one in 64.3.9. Only one of the statements needs to have the shall, and only a single PICS item is necessary.

## SuggestedRemedy

Remove this shall or the one in 64.3.9 and update the PICS.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Why cannot one PICS item correspond to two identical 'shall(s)'?

Cl 64 SC 64.4.3 P 494 L 47 # 273  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

No PICS item exists for this shall.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.3 P 494 L 48 # 274  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

No PICS item exists for this shall.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.4 P 495 L 53 # 275  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

No PICS item exists for this shall.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.4 P 495 L 54 # 276  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

No PICS item exists for this shall.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.5 P 496 L 27 # 278  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

No PICS item exists for this shall.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.4.5 P 496 L 5 # 277  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.5 P 497 L 34 # 279  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.6 P 498 L 4 # 280  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
This shall is a duplicate of the one on line 27 of page 496.

SuggestedRemedy  
Remove one of the shall statements and update PICS.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.6 P 498 L 41 # 281  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.4.6 P 498 L 42 # 282  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No PICS item exists for this shall.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add PICS item or remove shall.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.5.4.1 P 501 L 6 # 258  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Not connecting the SCB MAC to a bridge port is a recommendation according to 64.3.3.3.  
This is not mandatory and therefore does not require a PICS item.

SuggestedRemedy  
Remove PICS item CC1.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.5.4.1 P 501 L 8 # 259  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
In item CC2, the value/comment should reflect 16 bit times instead of 32.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change to 16.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.5.4.2 P 501 L 28 # 262  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
No shall exists for items OM4 or OM5.

SuggestedRemedy  
Remove these two items.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.5.4.2 P 501 L 33 # 263  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

No shall exists for item OM6.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the item.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.5.4.3 P 502 L 1 # 257  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status D

No shall statements exist that say the state diagrams must be implemented.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a single shall statement that covers all state diagrams, and will only require a single PICS item, or add shall statements for all state diagrams.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Add a single statement in the introduction of clause 64.

Cl 64 SC 64.5.4.3 P 502 L 8 # 256  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

No PICS item exists for figure 64-9, the OLT control parser.

SuggestedRemedy

Add as item and rename SM2 to ONU Control Parser.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 65.5.4.3 P 502 L 20 # 177  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to activate cross references for Figure 64-19, 64-22, 64-25, 64-20, 64-23, 64-26, and 64-27.

SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-11 P 465 L 32 # 841  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Block START PACKET INITIATE TIMER uses an assignment to "packet\_initiate\_timer" which is not defined anywhere in the entire document.  
Same problem in Figure 64-12.

SuggestedRemedy

Provide definition.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See #209

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-11 P 465 L 35 # 686  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

brackets

SuggestedRemedy

Why are the timer start commands in brackets and occasionally appear to be in a smaller font, both here and throughout this clause? This is unnecessary. The brackets should be removed and the font corrected.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Font should be fixed.

Brackets follow convention (See sub-clause 64.1.4.)

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Cl 64 SC Figure 64-15 P 472 L 1 # 697  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Service primitives need more precise definition

## SuggestedRemedy

Service primitives, even those on internal interfaces deserve detailed descriptions. Create these descriptions, based on the format of 57.2.5. Then the description of these primitives in the messages section (64.3.8.5) don't need the same level of detail.

Can there be more than 1 MA\_CONTROL.request primitive into a single block, even though it has different parameters? I've never seen this...

The primitives as shown here in this figure don't have all the parameters listed in 64.3.5.8. Make them all match.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Verify that primitives in state diagrams match their definitions.

There is no requirement that multiple MA\_CONTROL.request primitives differing in their parameter list cannot be defined.  
Discuss.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-17 P 475 L 1 # 842  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Variable "startTime" is used in start diagram without a definition.

## SuggestedRemedy

Provide definition in 64.3.8.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

This is a parameter to MA\_CONTROL.request and is defined there with the corresponding primitive.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-17 P 475 L 16 # 705  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

assignments buried within a function or primitive call

## SuggestedRemedy

This just doesn't seem right. Make the assignment, then make the function or primitive call. There are numerous examples of this besides here:

Fig 64-17, state SIGNAL

Fig 64-18, states REGISTER, DISCOVERY\_NACK, REGISTERED, DEREGISTER

Fig 64-20, states WATCHDOG TIMEOUT, REGISTER\_REQ, RETRY,

REGISTER\_PENDING, DENIED, REGISTER\_ACK, NACK, LOCAL DEREGISTER, REMOTE DEREGISTER

Fig 64-23, states SEND\_REPORT and PERIODIC TRANSMISSION

Fig 64-25, states SEND\_GATE, PERIODIC TRANSMISSION

Fig 64-26, state INCOMING GRANT

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-19 P 477 L 17 # 843  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Text "registerStatus" is used in state diagram, but no definition for "registerStatus" is provided in 64.3.8.2 Variables.

Text "flag" is used in state diagram, but no definition for "flag" is provided in 64.3.8.2 Variables.

Text "timestampDrift" is used in state diagram, but no definition for "timestampDrift" is provided in 64.3.8.2 Variables.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add.

Variable "flag" has same problem in Figure 64-20.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

1. registerStatus is a parameter of MA\_CONTROL.request(DA, register, LLID, registerStatus) and is described with this primitive

2. 'flag' is a field received in REGISTER\_ACK message. Transition from WAIT FOR REGISTER ACK suppose to occur when REGISTER\_ACK message is received. It is not clear from the state diagram that this is what happens.  
Suggestions are welcome

3. timestampDrift is defined in 64.2.3.2. Do we move the definition to common area to share between 64.2 and 64.3, or we duplicate the definition in 64.3.8.2? Discuss

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Cl 64 SC Figure 64-19 P 477 L 34 # 708  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
transition from COMPLETE DISCOVERY to REGISTERED

## SuggestedRemedy

It seems like there's a few more things to check for this transition, such as "echo of LLIT and sync time" from fig 64-14

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Do we need to show parsing of REGISTER\_ACK message. Otherwise, we do the echoed values come from?

See also #843

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-19 P 477 L 35 # 706  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Assignments in transitions

## SuggestedRemedy

This definitely isn't right. You can't make an assignment within a transition, only a comparison. Is this what is intended?

A few other cases:  
Fig 64-19, transition from REGISTERED to DEREGISTER  
Fig 64-20, transition from WAIT to REGISTERING

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-19 P 477 L 43 # 707  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Global transition

## SuggestedRemedy

The global transition into the DEREGISTER state should be mentioned somewhere in the text as well as here in the state diagram to give people some feel for what is intended. I didn't see it anywhere.

The same comment applies to the global transition into Fig 64-20, state Remote Deregister

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Text is solicited

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-2 P 452 L 18 # 387  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Implementing resolution to D.0 comment #89.

## SuggestedRemedy

Show optional FEC; keep synchronised with Fig 56-2. Even if FEC is not a true sublayer, show it on the layer diagram, perhaps 'PCS (with optional FEC' or use a footnote to PCS.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

FEC is not a sublayer and does not belong to layering diagram (it is a function just like flow control which is never shown as a sublayer) Figure 56-2 should be corrected by removing FEC sublayer.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-20 P 478 L 1 # 844  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
In block REGISTER\_REQ the following assignment is made: insideDiscoveryWindow <= false. Thus the exit from REGISTER\_REQ to RETRY which is dependent upon insideDiscoveryWindow = true can never happen.

SuggestedRemedy  
Remove state RETRY

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

insideDiscoveryWindow is shared with Gate Processing state machine (64-27). Thus, after the REGISTER\_REQ state set insideDiscoveryWindow to false, Gate Processing state machine can set it to true again.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-20 P 478 L 1 # 845  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
State diagram has two UCT entries with no priority.

## SuggestedRemedy

As the state machine can not go to two different states at the same time, add priority to UCT.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

I could not find the state with two UCT transitions

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Cl 64 SC Figure 64-20 P 478 L 26 # 709  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
sync time

## SuggestedRemedy

The variable syncTime isn't mentioned for this state diagram, only for the Report Processing state diagram. The variable sync time isn't mentioned at all. These need to be defined for this state diagram.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Should syncTime definition be duplicated here, or merged to 'some common definitions' area?

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-23 P 481 L 23 # 712  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
Move "registered"

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a global transition to WAIT state, using registered=FALSE  
Remove "\*\*registered" from transitions out of WAIT 2 state.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-23 P 481 L 29 # 846  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
Variable "registered" has no definition within clause 64.3.9.  
Exits from state WAIT 2 are not mutually exclusive.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Duplicate the definition for variable 'registered' or combine definitions in some common area.

transitions from WAIT2 are instantaneous events. Theoretical probability of two instantaneous events overlapping in continuous time system is 0. We always can consider them serial, such that one event always will occur first and will cause the corresponding transition.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-26 P 487 L 13 # 847  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
Variable "registered" has no definition within clause 64.3.10.  
Function removeHead, in block FLUSH, is defined as returning a value. However, the function call performs no assignment and is thus not needed.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add a definition for registered.  
As function removeHead performs no assignment, it is thus not needed in block FLUSH. Thus remove call to function. When removed, then the while statement has no statements to execute and can be removed. Then block FLUSH has no actions to perform. Thus remove block FLUSH, its inputs, and output transition.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Duplicate the definition for variable 'registered' or combine definitions in some common area.

Function RemoveHead() removes the first item from the list (queue) of pending grants. If this item is to be processed, then assignment is used, as is done in state WAIT FOR START TIME() in 64-27. The goal of FLUSH state is to clear the entire list, thus, no assignment of the returned item is necessary.  
The code is correct as it stands.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-26 P 487 L 26 # 717  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
sync\_time

SuggestedRemedy  
Where is this defined?

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Sync\_time should be a result of parsing incoming discovery GATE message. See #486

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-26 P 487 L 28 # 718  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
counter++

## SuggestedRemedy

This form of counter increment should either be defined or replaced with "counter = counter + 1". For a definition, see Clause 49.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 64	SC Figure 64-26	P 487	L 31	# 848
Tom Mathey		Independent		
Comment Type	T	Comment Status	D	
For figure 64-26, block INCOMING GRANT, the following have no definition within clause 64.3.10: Counter as a timer,localTime, length[counter], tailGuard, discovery, sync_time.				
Also, exit from block uses variable "n" which is not assigned to and has no definition.				
SuggestedRemedy				
Correct.				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				
The value of n should be obtained by parsing the GATE message. Add missing definitions and GATE parsing procedure See #486				

Cl 64	SC Figure 64-27	P 488	L 12	# 719
Brown, Benjamin		Independent		
Comment Type	TR	Comment Status	D	
isBroadcast(DA)				
SuggestedRemedy				
The DA in these frames is never the broadcast address, according to Figure 64-14, only the well known multicast address or the unicast source address.				
In the transition from CHECK GATE TYPE to RANDOM WAIT states, this frame type's DA is the multicast address, according to Fig 64-14.				
In the transition from CHECK GATE TYPE to TURN LASER ON states, this frame type's DA is also the multicast address, according to Fig 64-14.				
In fact, only the actual register frame uses the unicast DA.				
These packets may use the broadcast and unicast LLIDs but that can't be determined in this sublayer.				
Also, don't check the "DA", check the "currentGrant.DA"				
Proposed Response	Response Status		W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
I see two options:				
1. Change 'IsBroadcast' function to accept currentGrant as an argument and return true if this is a broadcast message. Internally, this function would check if 'currentGrant.DA = well-known MAC-C address'. And request all other GATEs to use unicast addresses.				
2. Add additional bit-flag in the message that will tell ONU if it is a contention-able message or not. This will allow it to only use well-known DA address for all the messages.				

## Discuss

Cl 64	SC Figure 64-27	P 488	L 15	# 849
Tom Mathey		Independent		
Comment Type	T	Comment Status	D	
For figure 64-26, block RANDOM WAIT, THE TEXT "tq_SIZE" has no definition within clause 64.3.10.				
SuggestedRemedy				
Correct.				
Proposed Response		Response Status	W	
PROPOSED ACCEPT.				
Should TQ_size definition be duplicated here, or merged to 'some common definitions' area?				

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Cl 64 SC **Figure 64-5** P 457 L 15 # 676  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
OR function

## SuggestedRemedy

This OR function should be described in 64.2.2.3 - it seems generic enough but I don't see it described anywhere else in any of the previous documents.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC **Figure 64-9** P 463 L 18 # 840  
Tom Mathey Independent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

In block PARSE\_TIMESTAMP, the assignment timestamp <= data[16:47] does not follow the definition of timestamp as given on p461, line 42 where timestamp requires two variables.

## SuggestedRemedy

Harmonize definition which requires two variables with use with no variables.  
Same problem two places in Figure 64-10, block PARSE\_TIMESTAMP  
Same problem in Figure 64-11, block SEND\_TIMESTAMP\_FRAME

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Also #483 and \$212

Cl 64 SC **general** P L # 166  
Ariel Maislos Passave Inc.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

When variables with default values are used they me be reevaluated to default at states where they are not set

## SuggestedRemedy

initialize all variables to their default value using an assignment operation at the Init state of each state machine where the variables are used.

Delete 'default value' setting for all variables.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Just delete the default values from the definitions. All variables are initialized in state diagrams before they are used.

See #674

Cl 64 SC **General** P 450 L # 557  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The specification of the multi-point MAC protocol is a convoluted and confusing perversion of the 802.3 MAC. P2MP defines its own MAC protocol and reference to the Clause 4 MAC is confusing and does the implementer a disservice in choosing that indirect specification method.

## SuggestedRemedy

Simplify the specification of P2MP by defining its MAC protocol directly.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

There is no technical incompleteness in current draft. The P2MP layering architecture was discussed and adopted on 3/02:

Motion: Adopt the proposals shown as baseline for the EFM P2MP.

All: For - 89; Against - 1; Abstained - 21;  
802.3 voters: For - 48; Against - 1; Abstained - 9

The layering diagram was finalized on 9/02  
All: Y:51 N:0 A:14  
802.3: Y:32 N:0 A:12

Cl 64 SC **Table 64-1** P 489 L 17 # 720  
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Duplicate table

## SuggestedRemedy

This table is a duplicate to that in Annex 31A. Remove it and use a reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 65 SC 65.1 P 506 L 12 # 794  
Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The entire concept of this extension to emulate point-to-point operation seems to be a violation of the following text extracted from the Overview and Architecture, IEEE Std 802 clause 6.2.1 Service access points (SAPs)  
"The MAC sublayer provides a single MAC service access point (MSAP) as an interface port to the LLC sublayer in an end station."  
AND  
"The Physical layer provides an interface port to a single MAC station,..."  
This also seems to be a violation of the 5 Criteria commitment in Compatibility paragraph 1.

SuggestedRemedy

Alter draft to remain within original commitment.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.  
P2P emulation ocnccept is rewired for interworking with 802 Networks, and is consistant with compatibility requirements undertaken by the 802.3ah project.

Cl 65 SC 65.1 P 506 L 4 # 178  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to activate cross reference for Clause 64.

SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.1.1 P 506 L 14 # 179  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to activate cross reference to Figure 65-1.

SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.1.2 P 506 L 49 # 180  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to activate cross reference for 64.1.2

SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.1.3.1 P 507 L 15 # 494  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Not sure why variable "type" is needed. It is not used anywhere in the clause except in PICS table. If it is just to distinguish OLT from ONU, it should be part of MIB and has nothing to do with RS sublayer.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove variable definition

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 65 SC 65.2.1 P 510 L 42 # 181  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to activate cross reference to Figure 65-3.

SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2 P 510 L 54 # 182  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to activate cross reference to Figure 65-4.

SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.1 P511 L 36 # 183  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to add cross reference to Figure 65-5, in two places: lines 36 and 44.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.2.1 P513 L 33 # 184  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to add cross reference to 64.3.10.1.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.2.1 P513 L 34 # 185  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to add cross reference to 64.3.10.2.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.2.1 P513 L 43 # 492  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D

"laser\_control" is not an alias of PMD\_SIGNAL.request(tx\_enable). Laser\_control variable represents the current state of the laser and is checked before making decisions to turn laser on or off.

## SuggestedRemedy

change definition of laser\_control to:  
This variable represents the status of the laser.

Change TURN\_LASER\_ON code to:  
laser\_control = ON  
PMD\_SIGNAL.request(true)

Change TURN\_LASER\_OFF code to:  
laser\_control = OFF  
PMD\_SIGNAL.request(false)

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.2.1 P513 L 7 # 491  
Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Figure 65-5. In D2.2, the Data Detector block has been moved below FEC encoder. Thus, in figure 65-5, the code groups corresponding to FEC parity should be shown as DATA, not as IDLEs.

## SuggestedRemedy

See above

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.2.3 P514 L 14 # 186  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to add cross reference to Figure 65-7.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.3 P 514 L 30 # 493

Glen Kramer Teknovus

Comment Type E Comment Status D

"Data Decoder" should be "Data Detector"

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.3 P 514 L 30 # 187

Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to add cross reference to Figure 65-6.

SuggestedRemedy

Add cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.3 P 514 L # 312

Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Is FEC reference G.975 clear enough? especially which bit first (least/most 0 or 7)? Sorry about the half-baked comments, I ran out of time.

SuggestedRemedy

Clarify as necessary.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will clarify on bit order

Cl 65 SC 65.2.3 P 514 L # 311

Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Will a FEC link be plagued by false carrier events from errored idles?

SuggestedRemedy

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Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 65 SC 65.2.3.1 P 516 L 11 # 309

Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Will FEC frames all /V/ make the error counter(s) count too fast?

SuggestedRemedy

If so, replace 'all octets in an uncorrectable block' with 'at least nine octets in an uncorrectable block' (the number which is just too much for the FEC to be sure of correcting).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

As target BER is 10-12, uncorrectable error rate would be very low from a block POV, so number of /V/ may be relatively low compared to line rate.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.3.3.2 P 517 L 34 # 188

Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to activate cross reference to Figure 65-4.

SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.3.3.4 P 517 L 52 # 189

Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to activate cross reference to figure 65-9.

SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.3.4.4 P 521 L 3 # 190

Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to activate cross reference to 60.1.5.1. Same comment on line 3 of the next page.

SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 65 SC 65.2.3.5.1 P 523 L 53 # 191  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Need to activate cross reference for Figure 65-11.

SuggestedRemedy  
Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.3.6.1 P 525 L 54 # 192  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Need to activate cross reference to 45.2.8.1

SuggestedRemedy  
Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.3.6.3 P 528 L 10 # 193  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Need to activate cross reference to 45.2.8.3.

SuggestedRemedy  
Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.3 P 528 L 14 # 307  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
Titles of 65.3 (PX-D) and 65.3.1 (ONU) are not compatible.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change title of 65.3 to 'Extensions to PMA for 1000BASE-PX';  
Change first sentence to 'In addition to the requirements defined in Clause 36, P2MP operation imposes the following requirement on the PMA sublayer of the OLT and ONU.'  
Use two sub-subclauses, one for PX-D and one for PX-U.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.3.1 P 528 L 14 # 381  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Need to define the PMA primitive for laser control shown in fig 65-4.

SuggestedRemedy  
In sub-subclause, for PX-U PMA (see another comment), define this PMA primitive for laser control formally:

'The following additional primitives is defined:

....'

The semantics of the service primitive are x(y). Explanation, When generated, effect of receipt.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.  
Consistant with previous discussions PMA tunneling of the signal need not be explicitly stated, consistand with SD

Cl 65 SC 65.3.1 P 528 L 22 # 194  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Need to activate cross reference to 60.7.

SuggestedRemedy  
Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.3.3.2 P 528 L 47 # 195  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Need to activate cross references to 60.8.13.1 and 60.8.13.2.

SuggestedRemedy  
Activate cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 65 SC 65.4.4.4 P 532 L 38 # 196  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Need to add cross references for Figure 65-6 and Figure 65-7.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add cross references.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.4.4.6 P 533 L 6 # 197  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Need to activate cross reference for figure 65-11.

SuggestedRemedy  
Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC Figure 65-3 P 511 L 13 # 386  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Implementing resolution to D.0 comment #89.

SuggestedRemedy  
Show optional FEC; keep synchronised with Fig 56-2. Even if FEC is not a true sublayer, show it on the layer diagram, perhaps 'PCS (with optional FEC' or use a footnote to PCS.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Cl 65 SC Figure 65-4 P 512 L 36 # 407  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
You can enhance this diagram by showing TP1 and TP4 on it. Also, 'ftx\_code-group'? Should it be dtx\_code-group?

SuggestedRemedy  
Per comment.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
w/o addition of TP

Cl 66 SC P 536 L 14 # 553  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Is P2MP half duplex or full duplex this week?

SuggestedRemedy  
If I have it right, change to: "in the case of P2MP the MAC should be operating in full duplex mode,"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment #380

Cl 66 SC P 536 L 7 # 198  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Need to activate cross reference to clause 65. Same comment clause 64 in line 17.

SuggestedRemedy  
Activate cross reference.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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*Cl* **66**      *SC* **66**      *P* **535**      *L* **1**      # **380**  
Dawe, Piers      Agilent

*Comment Type*    **TR**      *Comment Status*    **D**

'Don't mess with the legacy Ethernet.'

The 'required' aspect of this clause is unworkable, as it tries to make a tight association between PMD type, network type ('access' vs. 'campus') and e.g. PCS functionality. See my comment against 57.1.2 for more explanation.

Further, this clause affects 10G Ethernet, which doesn't seem to be part of 'Ethernet in subscriber access' at all - which subscribers get access to that sort of 'broadband' access!? And it tries to do it in a way which is controversial (see TRs against previous drafts) and doesn't make sense to me.

The proposed changes would encourage pointless and misleading behaviour which is presently forbidden: transmitting to a station which is sending 'remote fault' or 'far end fault indication' - saying it can't hear you. If this is forbidden now, we would need a reason to overturn the rules.

Clause 66 RS, PCS and PMA are shown as optional in Table 56-2. That's as it should be (except for 1000BASE-PX-D, PON OLT).

## SuggestedRemedy

See attached file for proposed revision of clause 66, including reasons why.  
[http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/comments/d3\\_0/pdfs/dawe\\_2\\_0104.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/comments/d3_0/pdfs/dawe_2_0104.pdf) ?

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

I agree to adopt this text with the ability to make minor editorial modifications and other fixes based on adopted comments.

*Cl* **66**      *SC* **66**      *P* **536**      *L* **15**      # **554**  
Grow, Robert      Intel

*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Archiac text.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change "this" at end of line to "the". On line 17, at end of line, change "the bridge protocol." to "802.1 protocols."

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **66**      *SC* **66.1.2.3**      *P* **538**      *L* **13**      # **199**  
Lynskey, Eric      UNH-IOL

*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Need to activate cross reference to figure 66-2.

## SuggestedRemedy

Activate cross reference.

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **66**      *SC* **66.2.2.3**      *P* **539**      *L* **53**      # **509**  
Grow, Robert      Intel

*Comment Type*    **E**      *Comment Status*    **D**

Error in references.

## SuggestedRemedy

"Change to Figure 36-5 and Figure 36-6"

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **66**      *SC* **66.3.2.2**      *P* **540**      *L* **41**      # **552**  
Grow, Robert      Intel

*Comment Type*    **TR**      *Comment Status*    **D**

The true value needs to be better tied to the register bits that define unidirectional being enabled.

## SuggestedRemedy

TRUE; Unidirectional capability enabled (register bits 0.1 = 1 and 1.7 = 1, see Clause 22)

*Proposed Response*      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

This is the RS. Clause 22 registers have never been used to represent variables or anything else in an RS. While the RS is part of the physical layer, it is not part of the PHY.

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CI 66 SC 66.4 P542 L 54 # 966  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Missing the PICS copyright release statement. This is important.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add the following footnote at the bottom of the page:

Copyright release for PICS proformas: Users of this standard may freely reproduce the PICS proforma in this clause so that it can be used for its intended purpose and may further publish the completed PICS.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 67 SC 67.2 P547 L 50 # 376  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

If we get some text together for clause 60 explaining the interoperability of certain 100BASE-PX10/20s,

## SuggestedRemedy

create a new subclause here with some similar information: how an over-achieving DTE can be used to allow for future network expansion.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Lets see what text comes out for C60. Based on that a brief/short overview may be added.

CI 67 SC 67.4 P548 L 3 # 377  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Subclause title is confusing. 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS can be duplex or half duplex depending which layer you look at. Their rates can vary so they should not be referred to as '2 Mb/s' or '10 Mb/s'.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change to 'Topology limitations in access networks'. Change first sentence to: 'The physical size of 2BASE-TL, 10PASS-TS, full duplex 100BASE-X and point to point 1000BASE-X, 1000BASE-PX and 10GBASE networks is not limited by the round-trip collision propagation delay. At the end, the number of ONU DTEs in a '

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

These rates are the nominal rates identified in the preceding table and explained in the footnote, so the title is ok.

The new wording does not seem to add additional clarification.

CI 67 SC 67.6.1 P549 L 3 # 408  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

10G doesn't have unidirectional registers, unidirectional must be used for 1000BASE-PX-D, should not be used for 1000BASE-PX-U.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change to 'Up to 2004, compliant 100 Mb/s, 1000 Mb/s and 10 Gb/s implementations were not able to encode and transmit data while one direction of the link was non-operational. Some physical layer devices have the optional ability to encode and transmit data while one direction of the link is non-operational.

For 100BASE-X and 1000BASE-X, this capability is indicated by the management register bit 1.7, The Unidirectional OAM Ability can be found in Table 22-8 and the feature may be enabled via the management register bit 0.1 Unidirectional OAM Enable found in Table 22-7. This bit should be set only when the OAM sublayer is present and enabled or for a 1000BASE-PX-D PHY. Otherwise, MAC Client frames will be sent across a unidirectional link potentially causing havoc with bridge and other higher layer protocols. The feature should not be enabled for 1000BASE-PX-U PHYs in service, to avoid simultaneous transmission by more than one ONU.'

Or without the 10G part if we abandon 10G unidirectional.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will clarify based on the commenters suggestions

# P802.3ah Draft 3.0 Comments

Cl 67 SC 67.6.2 P 549 L 15 # 13  
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
It is possible for both ends of a link to be "active."

SuggestedRemedy  
Change sentence to "At least one end of a given link..." from "One end of a given link..."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67 SC Table 67-1 P 546 L 27 # 371  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Number of PHYs segment?

SuggestedRemedy  
Number of DTEs per segment?

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

This was debated in previous discussions and PHYs was ok. Is there a reason the commenter would like to change the nomenclature again.

Cl 67 SC Table 67-1 P 546 L 46 # 375  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
'nominal reach in the table.' Which table? one of those DSL profiles tables?

SuggestedRemedy  
Change to 'this table'.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC P 606 L 10 # 11  
Murphy, Tom Infineon

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Move these references to the correct clause

SuggestedRemedy  
see comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.1 P 601 L 47 # 412  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Incomplete sentence.

SuggestedRemedy  
'particular relevance for Clauses 58, 59 and 60.' \*ref\*

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.1 P 602 L 12 # 413  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Humidity, vibration, etc. aren't so minor.

SuggestedRemedy  
Insert another word: 'considered to be of such major importance'

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.1 P 605 L 10 # 418  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Note these informative references should be moved to Annex A at some stage.

SuggestedRemedy  
Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.1.1 P 602 L 18 # 414  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Have overlooked a PMD

SuggestedRemedy  
'100BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX10 links'

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 67A SC 67A.1.1 P 602 L 40 # 156  
Edward Beili Actelis Networks Inc.

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
2BASE-TL/10PASS-TS are defined for both Head-End and Customer Premises. Clause 61 defines -O and -R subtypes. Note that it is possible that a Phy chip is manufactured, hard wired to a specific subtype. e.g. -R.

SuggestedRemedy  
Specify 2BASE-TL-O/10PASS-TS-O for the Head-End, 2BASE-TL-R/10PASS-TS-R for the Customer Premise.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.1.1 P 602 L 48 # 415  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Haven't really spelt out the point of the sentence.

SuggestedRemedy  
Insert another word: 'block or office, a weatherprotected space such as'

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.3 P 604 L 48 # 416  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Should be no space between number and degree symbol

SuggestedRemedy  
Remove the space after 85

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.3.1 P 605 L 10 # 417  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
consistency

SuggestedRemedy  
Change degC to K

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.3.1 P 605 L 17 # 432  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
The text 'Clause 66A.3 discusses ..' and 'Clause 66A.4 discusses ..' is incorrect as these are not clauses, they are subclauses (or should that be subannexes - check with the IEEE editor). In addition 66A.3 and 66A.4, in fact Annex 66A, doesn't seem to exist.

SuggestedRemedy  
See comment.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.3.1 P 606 L 8 # 973  
Frazier, Howard SWI

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
I don't think that the staff editor is going to let us get away with this "References" section.

SuggestedRemedy  
The section has no subclause number. References belong in the front of the document, in subclause 1.3. References are those documents which the reader MUST HAVE AT HAND in order to understand the requirements of the standard.

Remove these "references", or move them to 1.3, or move them to the bibliography.

This WILL BE A SHOWSTOPPER if it goes to RevCom this way.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT. This is an item for Wael

Cl 99 SC P L # 789  
Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Draft does not meet the following "shall" requirement that I can find.

IEEE-SA Standards Board Bylaws  
5.2.2.3 Sponsor balloting group (paragraph 3, sentence #2)

A statement of the type of balloting membership to be used shall be included in all versions of the draft standard and the final approved standard.

SuggestedRemedy  
Add a statement to the front matter that indicates that this project is being put forth under "individual" balloting.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will check and add statement as appropriate

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CI 99 SC P L # 504  
 Grow, Robert Intel  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 People listed as officers should not be listed again in following member list.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Fix or flag for publication editor.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 99 SC P L # 506  
 Grow, Robert Intel  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 This page is obsolete.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete the page.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

The commenter has not indicated which page he would like to be deleted. The commenter is asked to provide the page number at the meeting.

CI 99 SC P L 12 # 501  
 Grow, Robert Intel  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Grammar problem, missing "of".  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change to: "... exchange of IEEE Std 802.3 frames ..."  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 99 SC P L 26 # 502  
 Grow, Robert Intel  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Grammar problem, missing "the".  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change to: "... comparison to the last published ..."  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 99 SC P L 29 # 503  
 Grow, Robert Intel  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Typo, incorrect year  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change to: "IEEE Std 802.3af-2003".  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 99 SC P L 3 # 746  
 Booth, Brad Intel  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 "To be supplied by IEEE" should be in an editor's note.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add note.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 99 SC P L 3 # 742  
 Booth, Brad Intel  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 TM symbol should be on 802.3, not on year.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Move symbol.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 99 SC P L 3 # 744  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The editor's box needs a note to explain that the introduction should be deleted prior to publication.

SuggestedRemedy

Add note.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Not all the frontmatter will be deleted. For instance, the list of new and changed clauses may be kept. Nevertheless, will check with the IEEE staff as to what is kept and deleted and will add a note as appropriate.

CI 99 SC P L 4 # 505  
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Imprecise correlation of published clauses. Annex 43B is not in IEEE Std 802.3-2002, it is in IEEE Std 802.3ae-2002.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to read: "Changes to previously approved clauses of IEEE Std 802.3" or "Changes to previously approved clauses of IEEE Std 802.3-2002 (as amended)"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 99 SC P L 8 # 745  
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status D

List of EFM staff is incomplete.

SuggestedRemedy

Update list to include Glen Kramer. I would highly recommend changing the format so that respective clauses and annexes are listed with the editor's name. David Law and Scott Simon should have their editorial roles listed.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will update the officers list

CI 99 SC P 1 L 31 # 388  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Need to declare that we are modifying 10G Ethernet - or don't modify it.

We do not need the words 'the concept of', they aren't really true; the concept was there before even an earlier draft.

The mechanism is for transport of OAM information, not a mechanism for OAM itself (which would be in another standard). Need to declare the unidirectional options. Just to save space, can delete the bit about 'network operation and troubleshooting' - readers will have at least a vague idea what OAM is for from the name.

SuggestedRemedy

'This draft also introduces Ethernet Passive Optical Networks (EPONs), in which a point to multipoint (P2MP) network topology is implemented with passive optical splitters, along with optical fiber PMDs that support this topology.

In addition, a mechanism for transporting information for network Operations, Administration and Maintenance (OAM) is included. To support these innovations, options for unidirectional transmission of frames are provided for 100BASE-X, 1000BASE-X and 10G Ethernet.'

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will adjust text to reflect the addition of 10G OAM Capability

CI 99 SC P 4 L 34 # 389  
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status D

This sentence badly under-sells EFM. Remember 100BASE-LX10, 1000BASE-LX10, OAM transport and possibly OAM unidirectional transport are likely to be used in campus networks.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to 'This document defines services and protocol elements that permit the exchange IEEE Std 802.3 format frames at a variety of rates and using a range of media including those found in subscriber access networks as well as campus and telecoms networks.' If appropriate, add further sentences mentioning PON, OAM transport and unidirectional ability.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The front matter is not intended to sell the document, rather it is an expansion on the project definition which calls out subscriber access networks.

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*Cl* **99**      *SC* **99**                      *P***11**              *L* **9**              # **67**

Beck, Michael                      Alcatel Bell n.v.

*Comment Type*    **E**              *Comment Status*   **D**

    The Greek symbol "gamma" is shown. Symbols "alpha" and "beta" are not shown, though they are used in the text.

*SuggestedRemedy*

    Add symbols "alpha" and "beta".

*Proposed Response*              *Response Status*   **W**

    PROPOSED ACCEPT.